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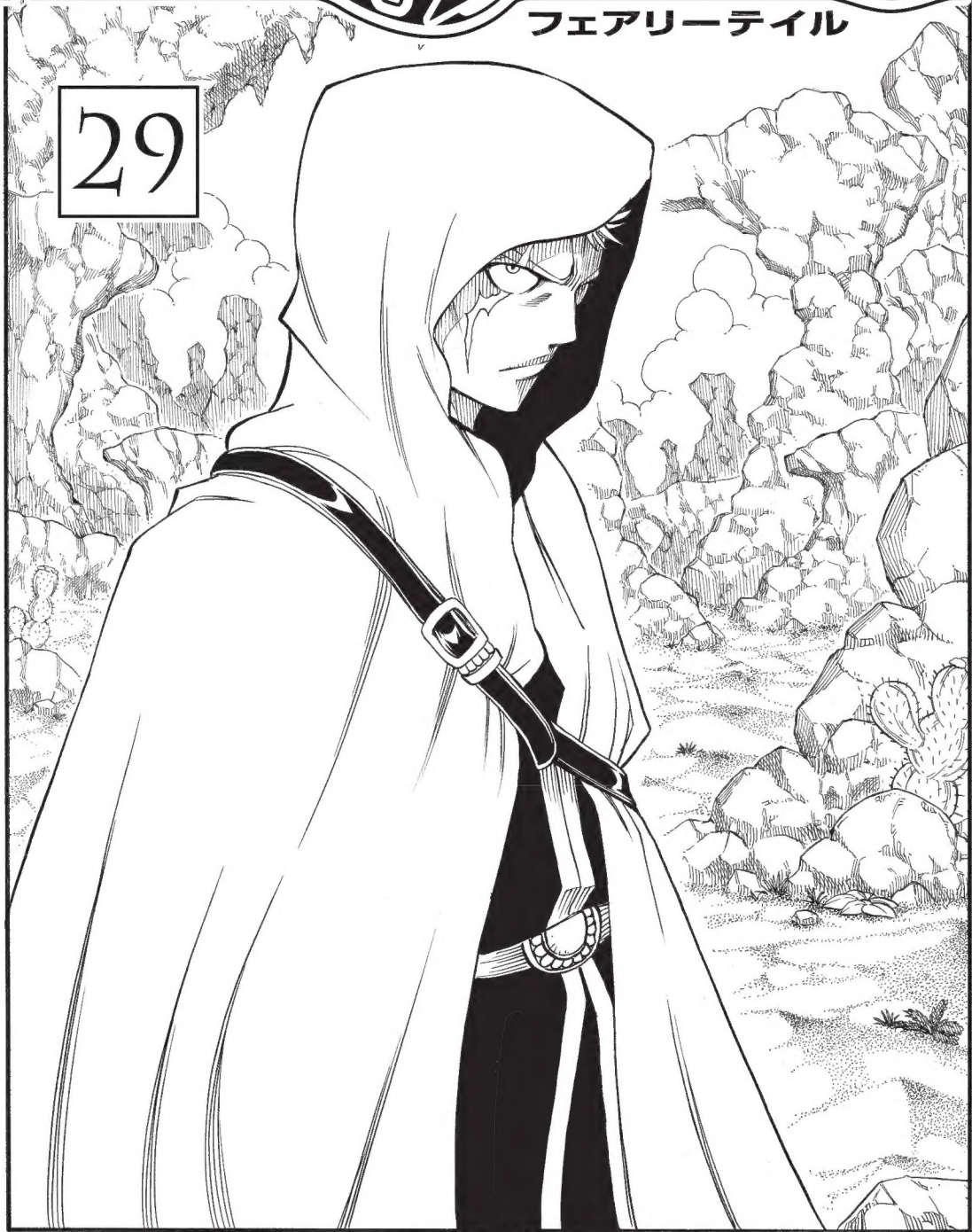
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Creator of Rave Master

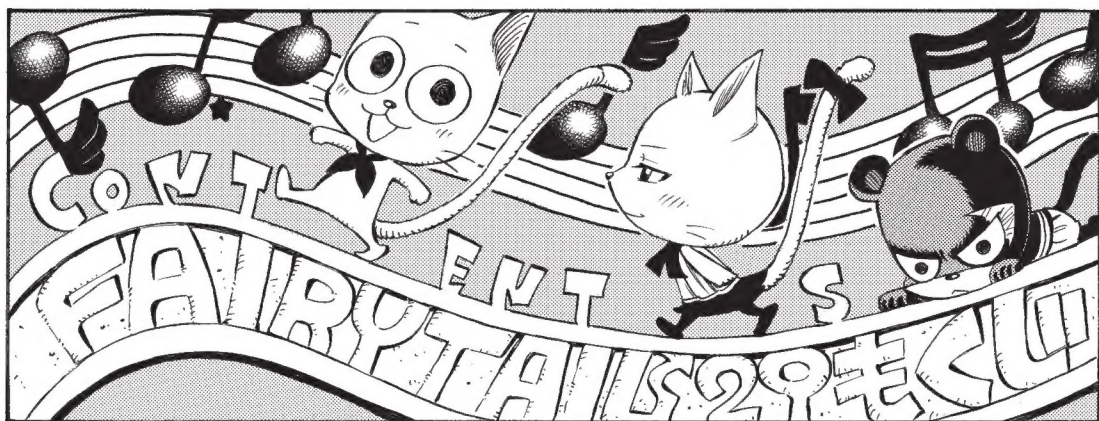
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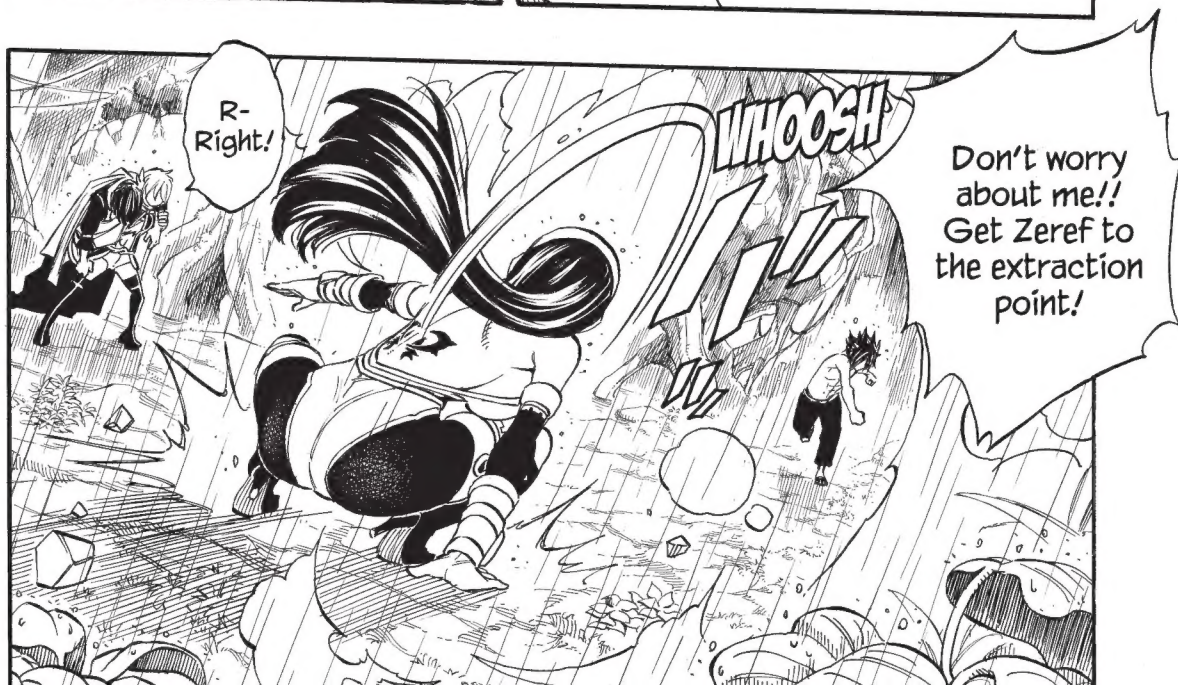
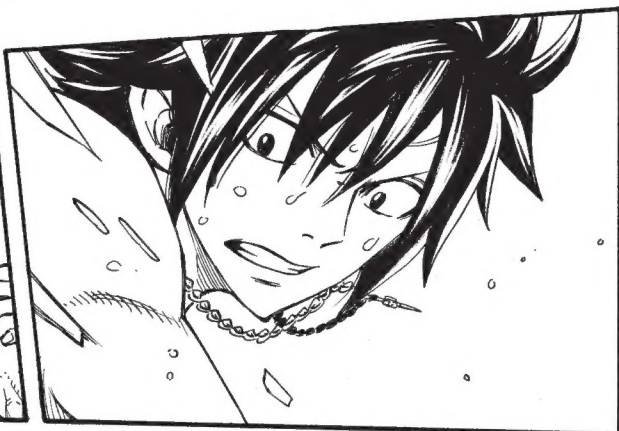
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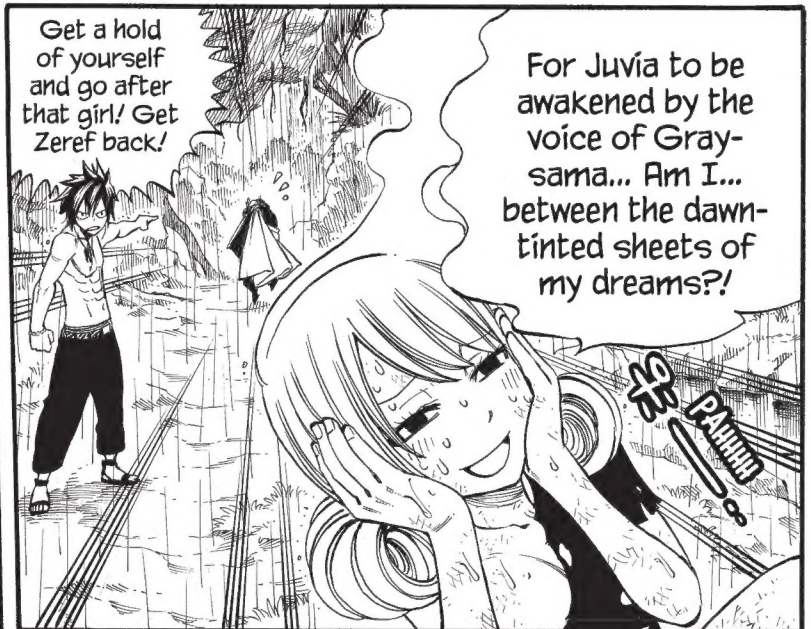
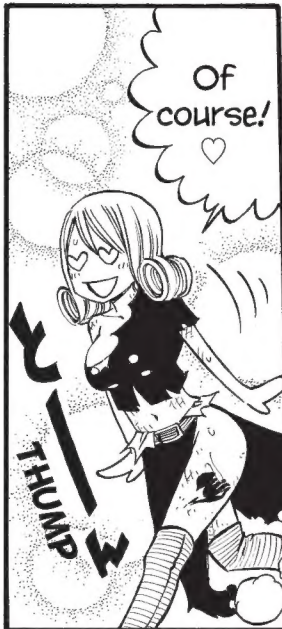
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Chapter 240: Gray vs. Ultear







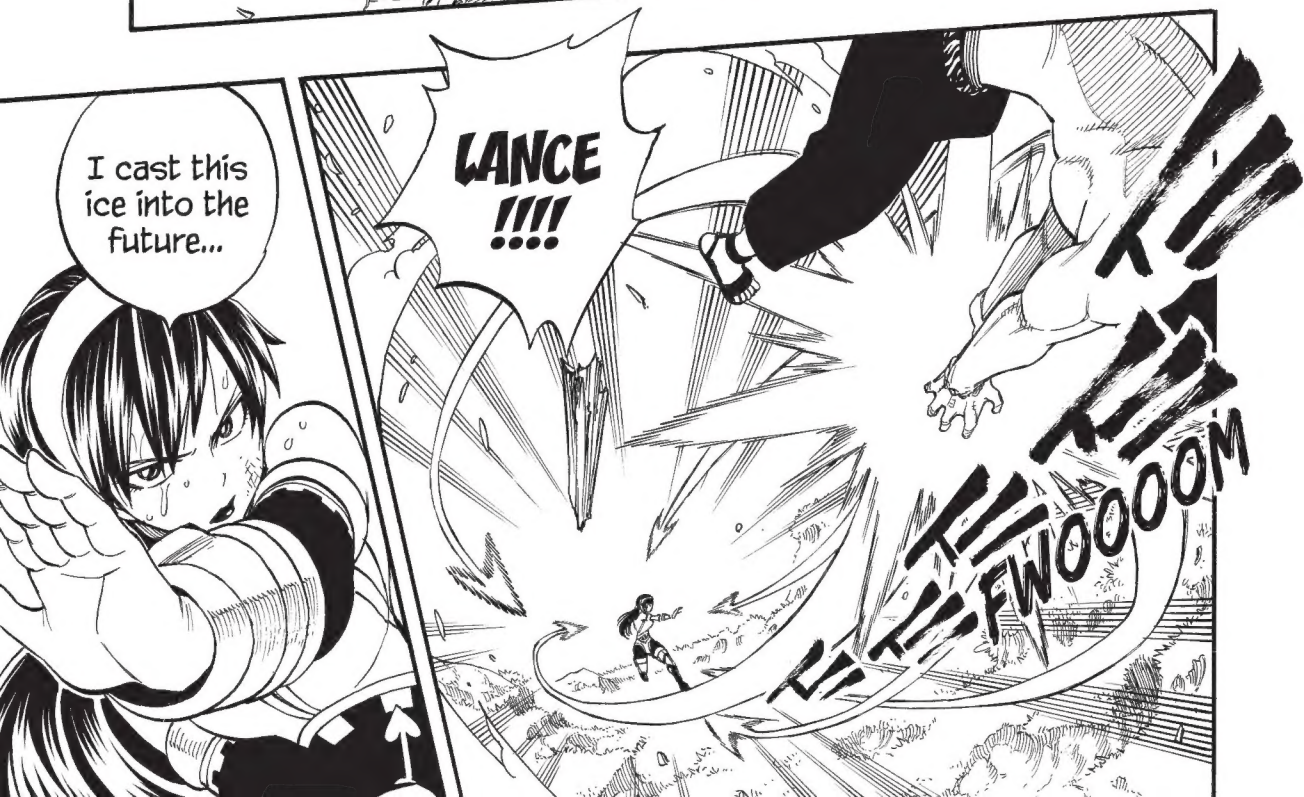
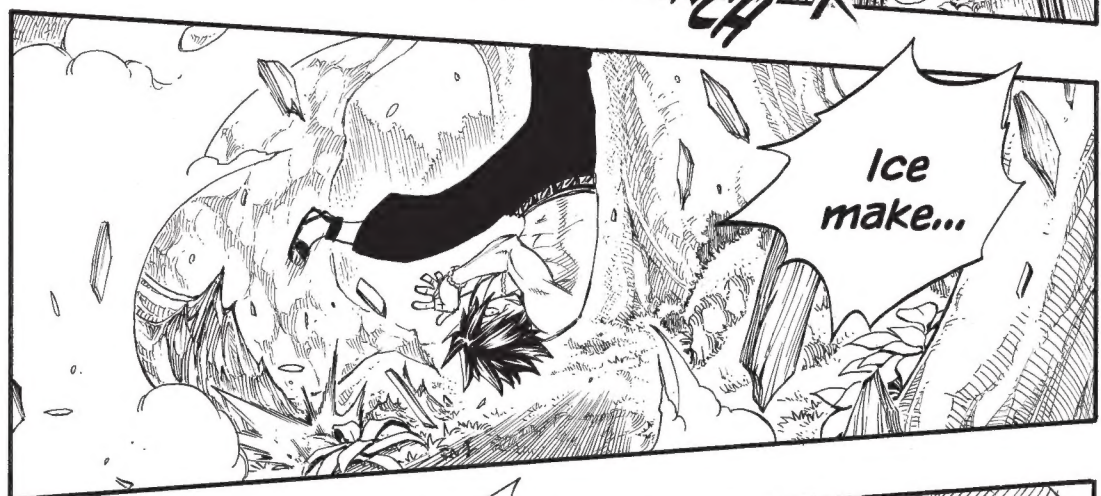
Eeeeeeeee!

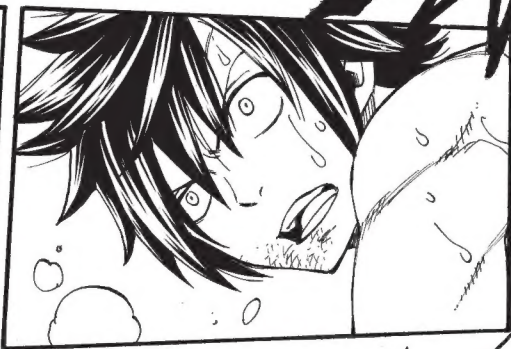
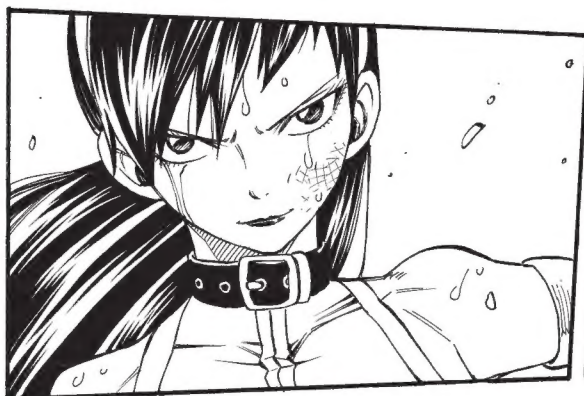
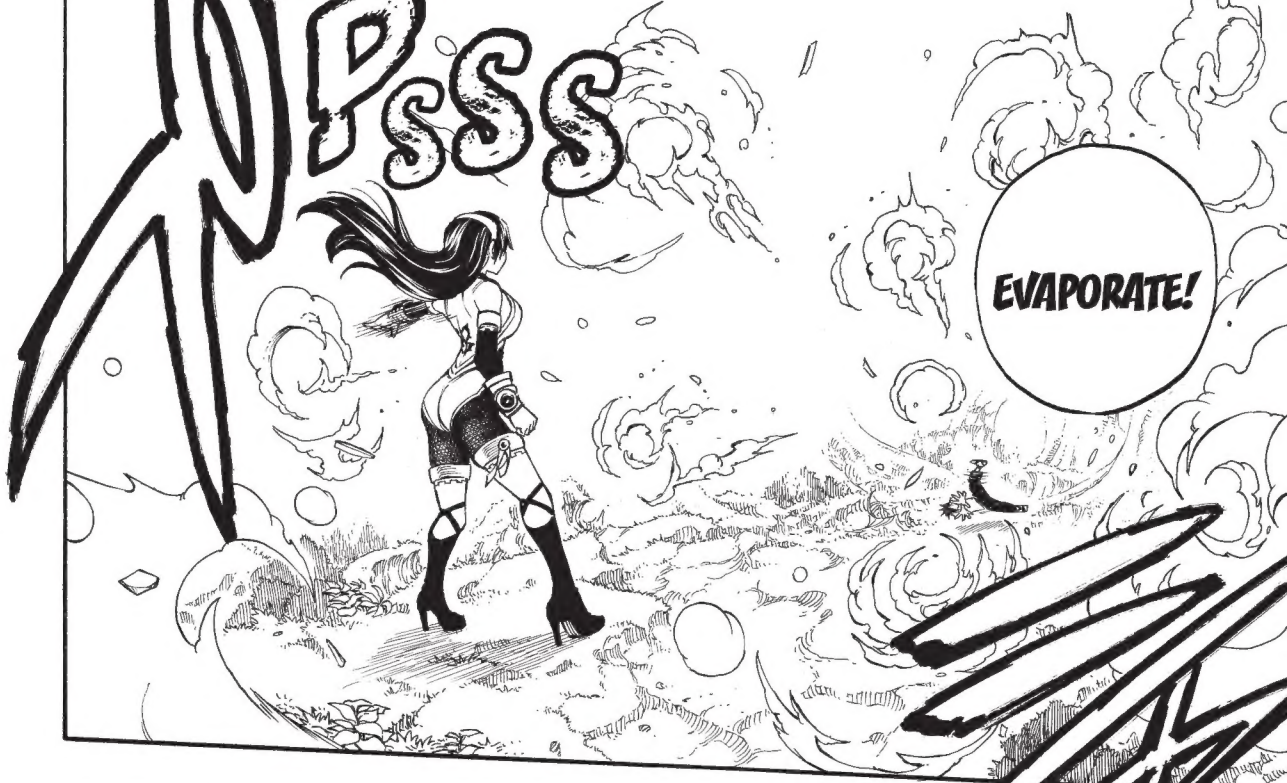
Pain is as nothing to Juvia compared to Gray-sama's commands! ♥

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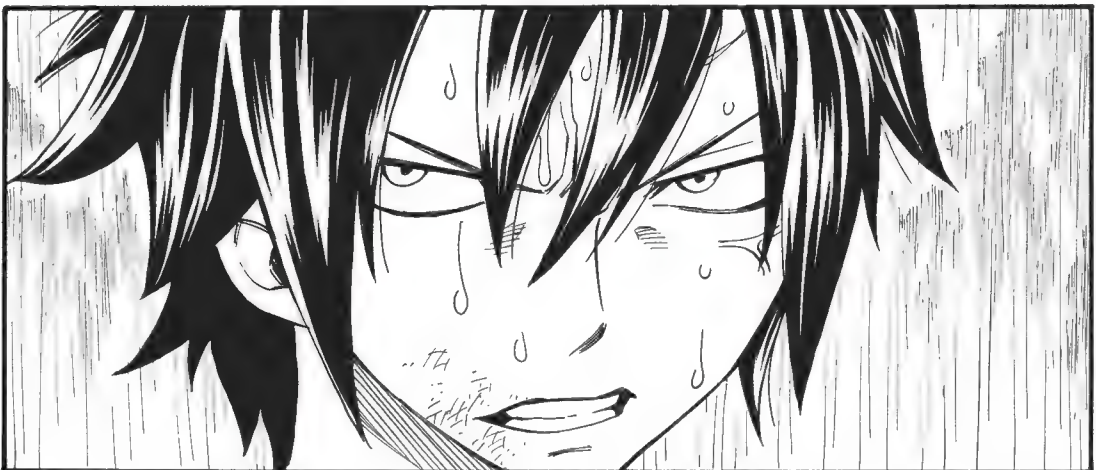
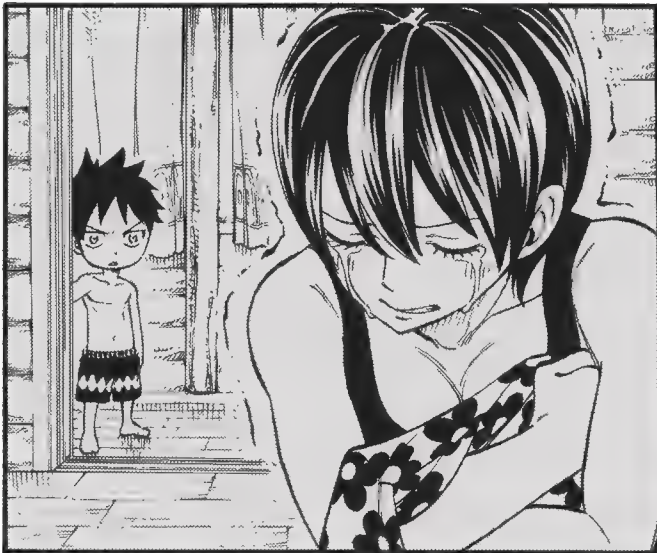
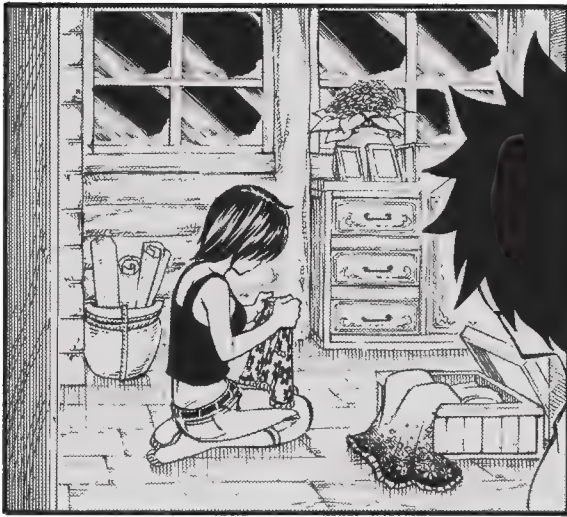
THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP

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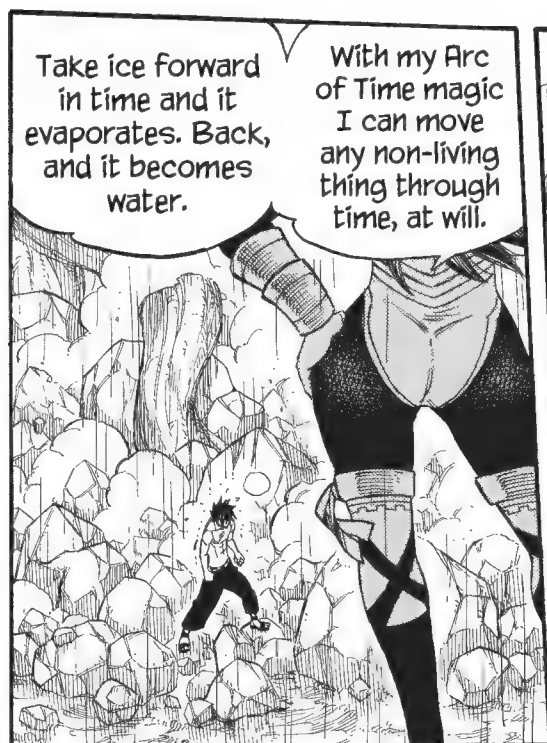
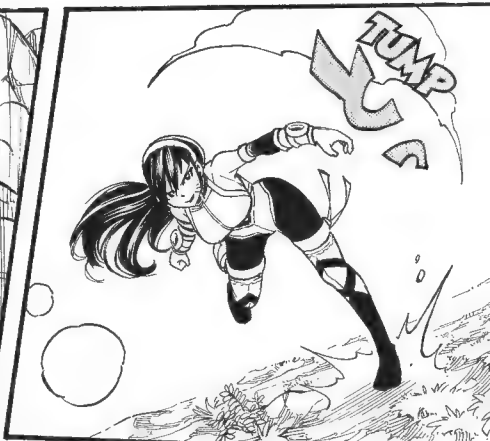


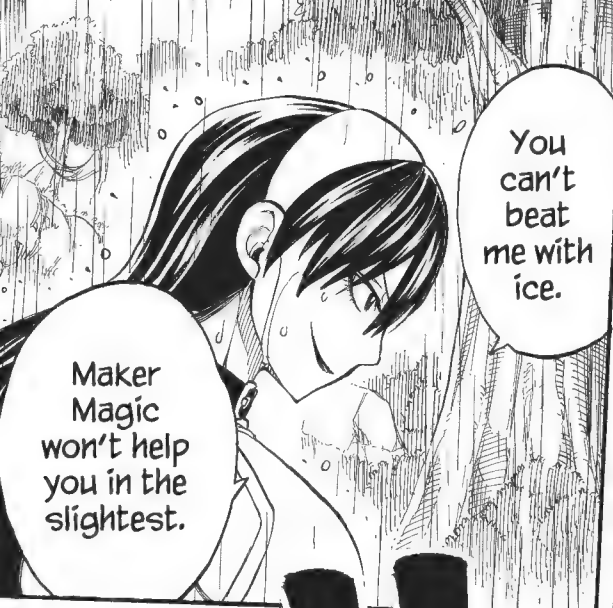
















**ICE
BLADE:
SEVEN
SLICE
DANCE
!!!!**

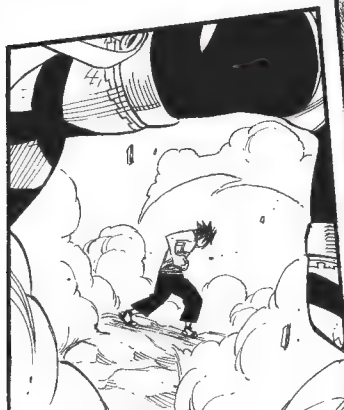
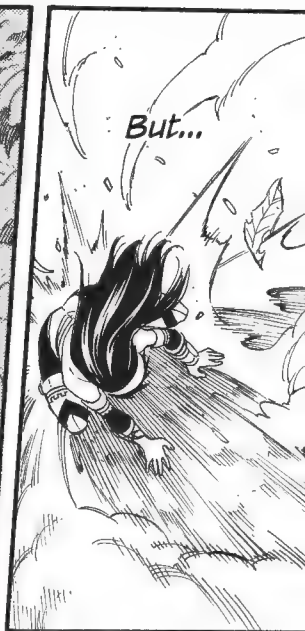
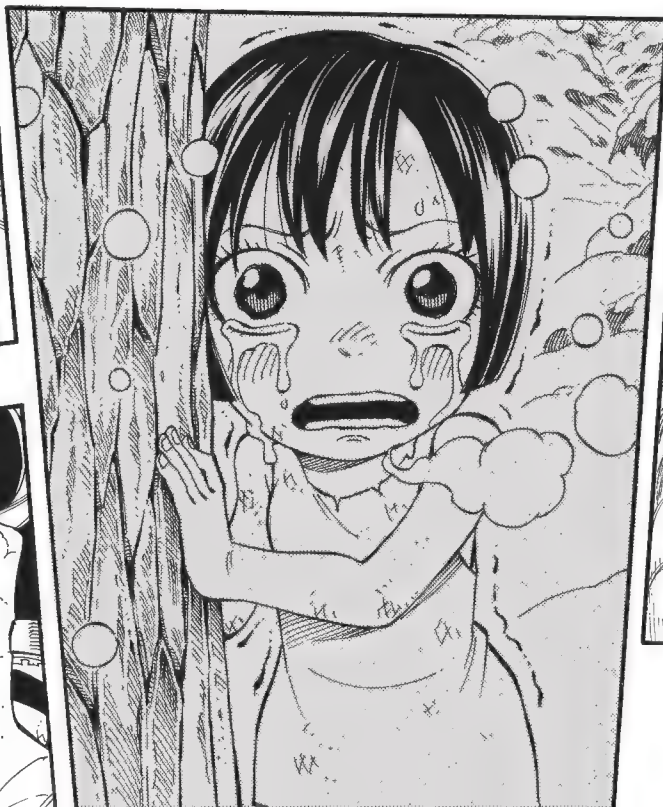
WHAM

KRAKON





They don't
lack for
commitment...





...
**will
not
lose
!!!!**



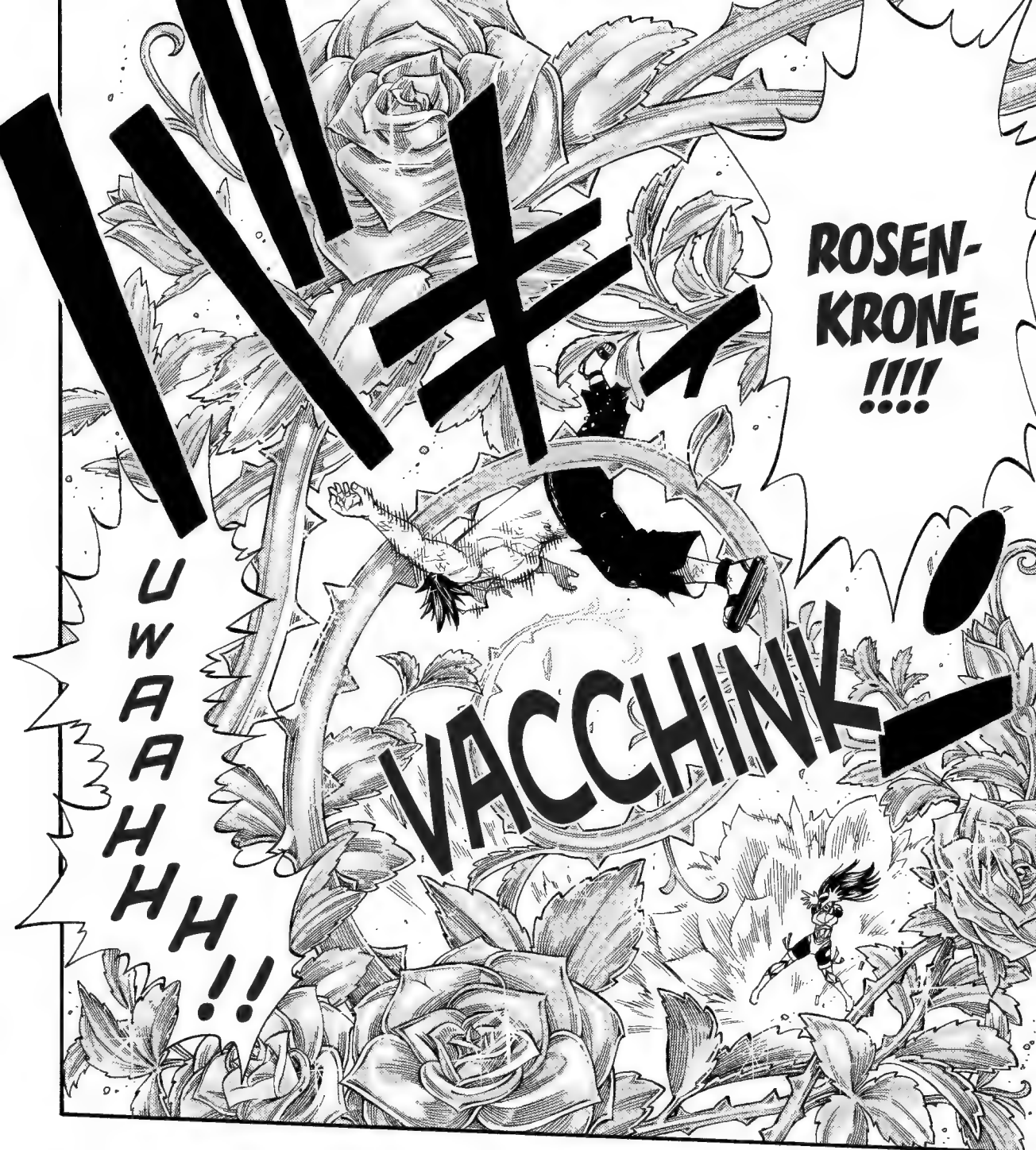
That
stance...



...the
**Great
Magic
World
!!!!**

Ice
Make...

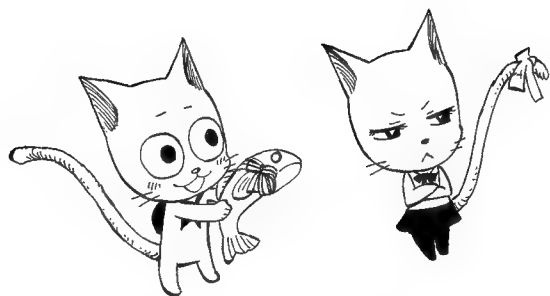
**Not
until I
make it
to...**





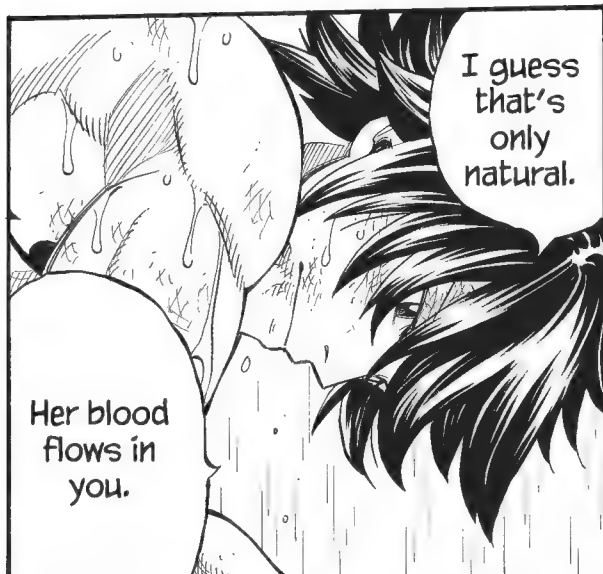
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The Power of "Life"

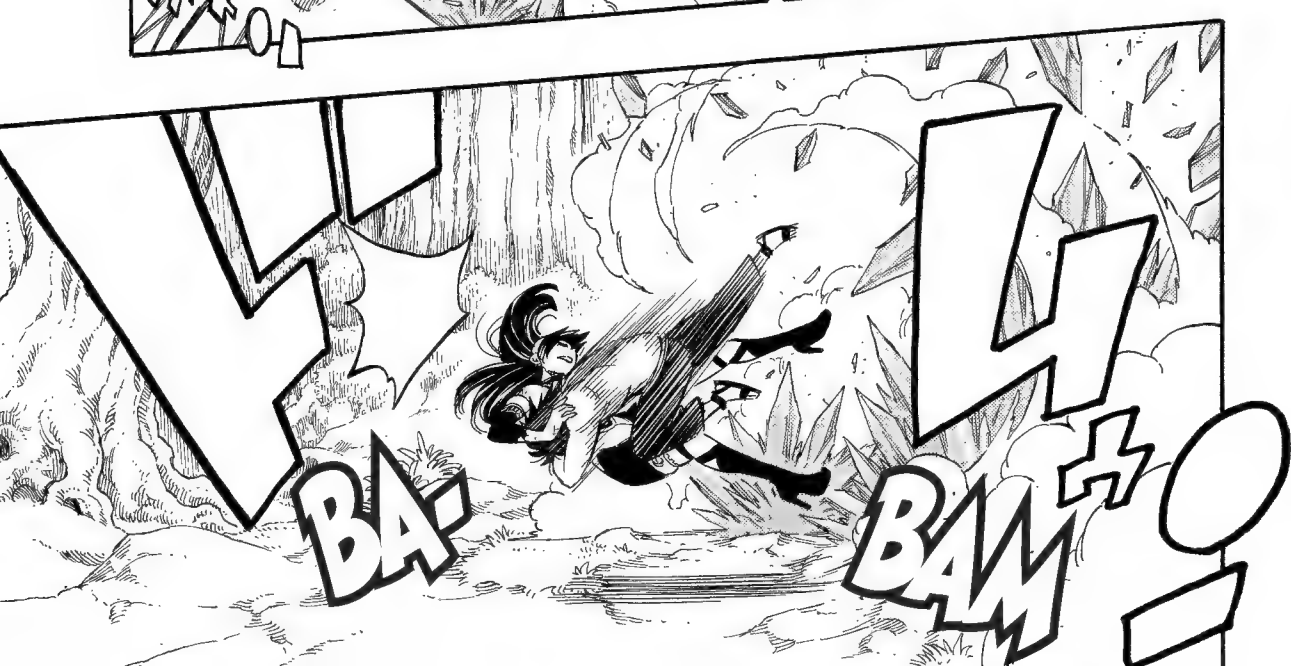




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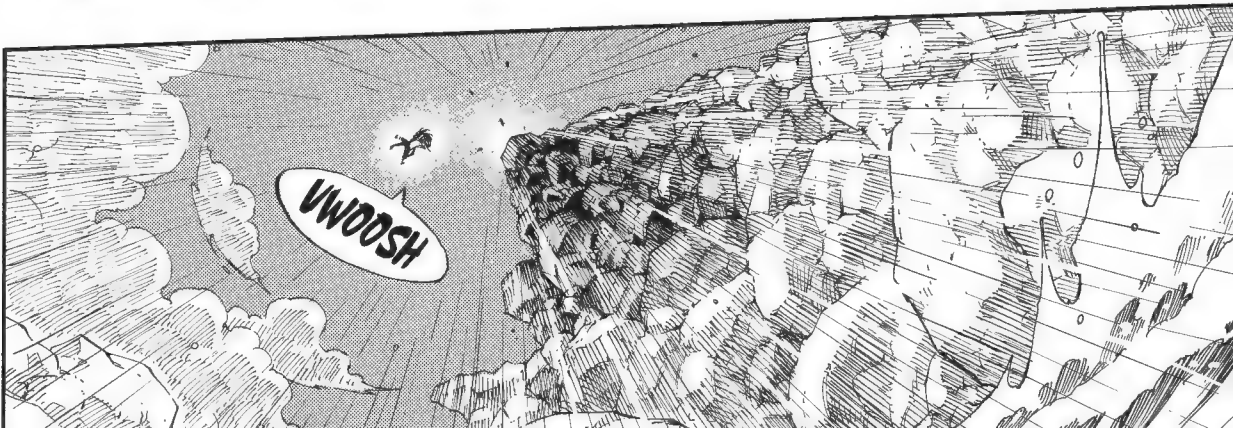
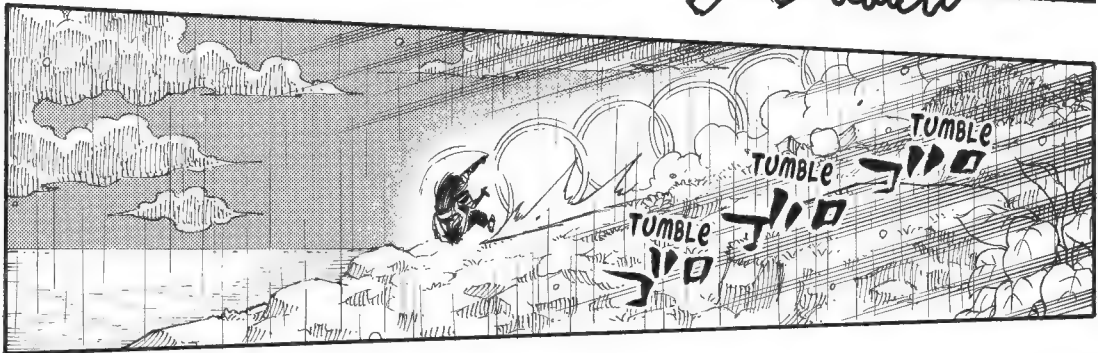






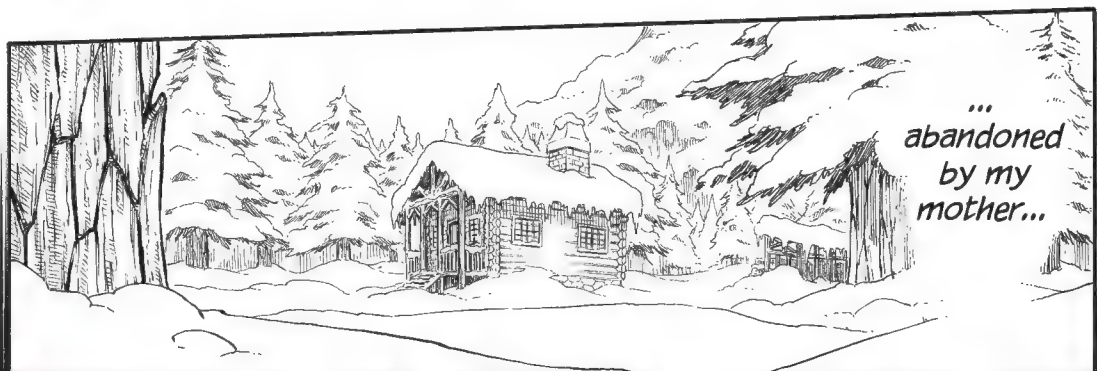


How did you turn out this way?!





I
was...



...
abandoned
by my
mother...



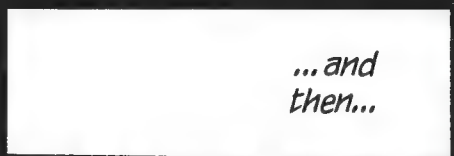
One day, I
finally managed
to escape the
facility, and I
ran back to my
mother's house.



But when I
got there,
I saw...



I was just a small child,
but they put me through
experiments to increase
my magical power, until
they'd completely broken
down my body and mind.



...and
then...



... sent
to a
magic
research
facility!



*She
looked
so
happy.*



*I could
never
forgive
her for
that!*



*She
looked
happy...*



...and get
revenge on
my mother!



...to
become
even more
powerful...



I
decided
to go
back
to the
facility
...



...THE
GREAT
MAGIC
WORLD
WILL BE
COMPLETE!



WHEN
ZEREF IS
REVIVED...



Eventually,
I learned of
the existence
of Zeref...

...and of a
Dark Guild
that was
pursuing
him.



Regain the
happiness
we lost...

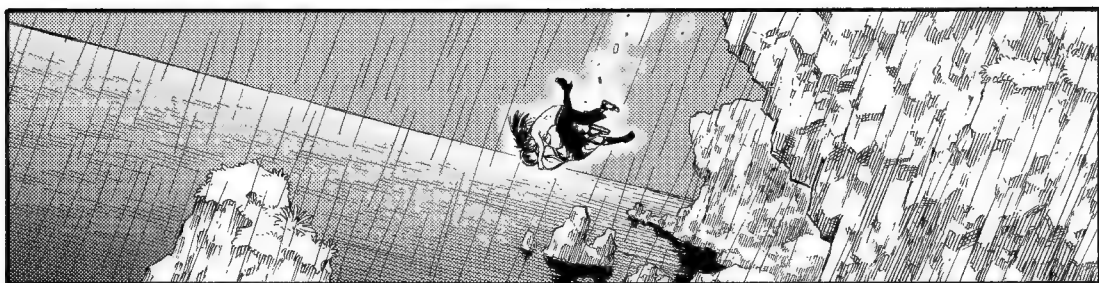


And we
wizards can
regain the
happiness
we lost.

There,
all magic
shall be
free.



Great
Magic
World?

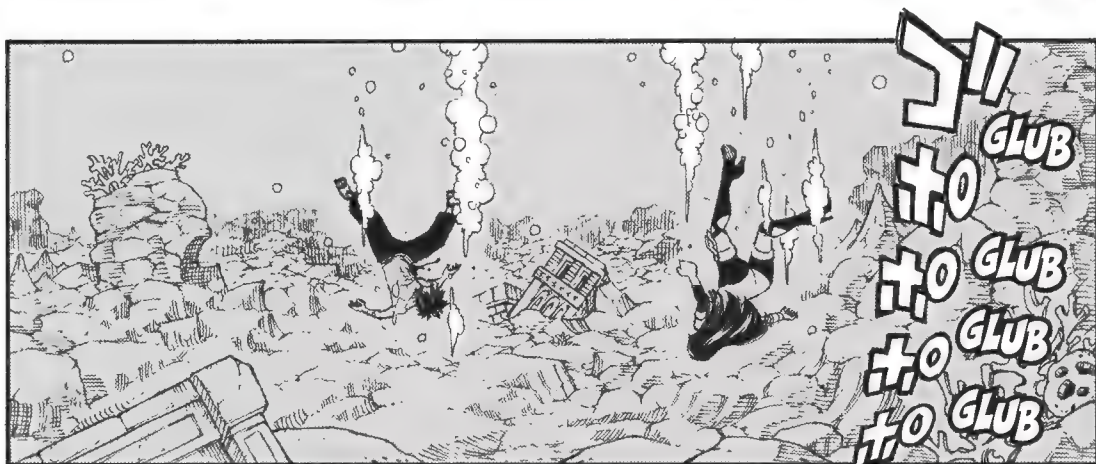




And the one who masters it will become a time traveler.



But with the coming of the Great Magic World, the Time Arc will be perfected.



And to change my cursed life into one of happiness...



...to go back and do it all over!



I just wanted...



...I will
complete
the Great
Magic
World!!!!

VACHEENK



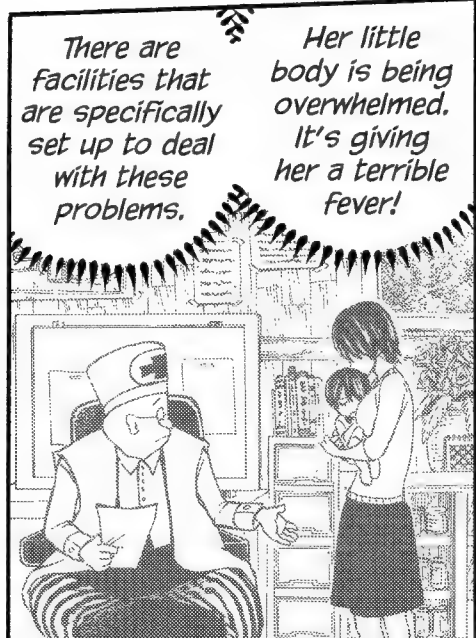
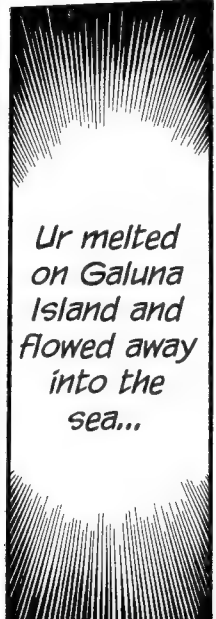
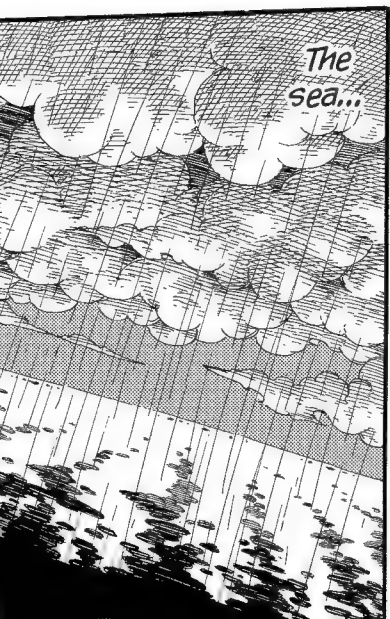
Please
help me!

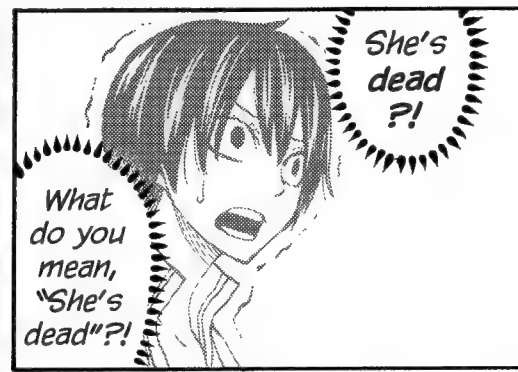
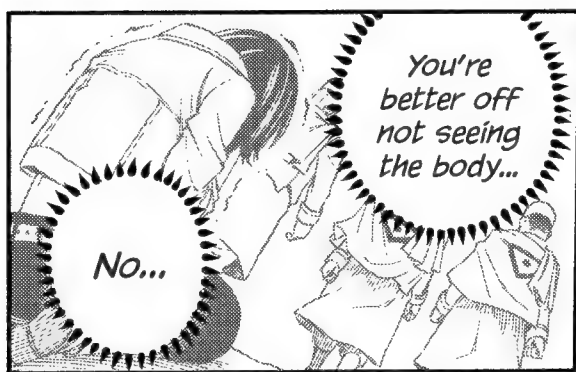


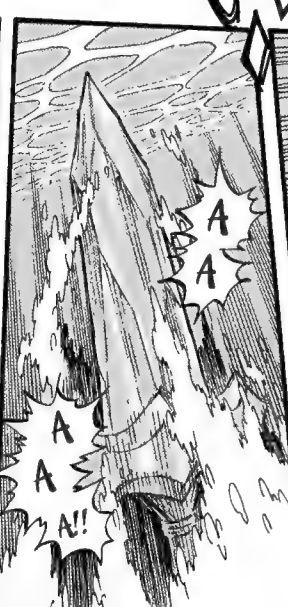
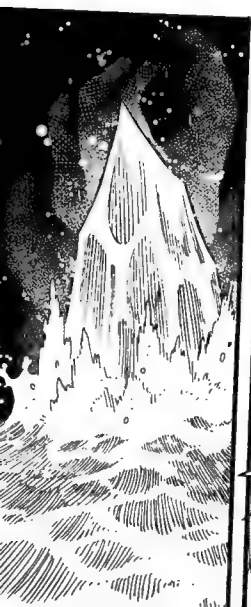
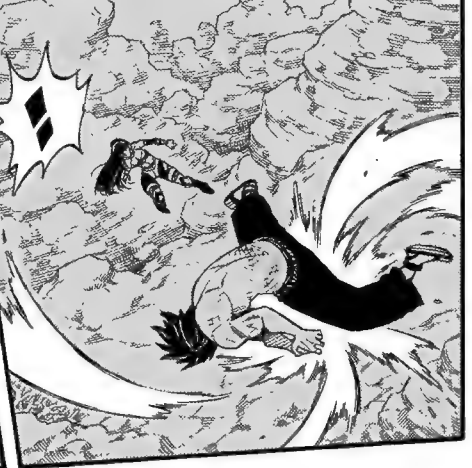
What?!

What
was that
voice...





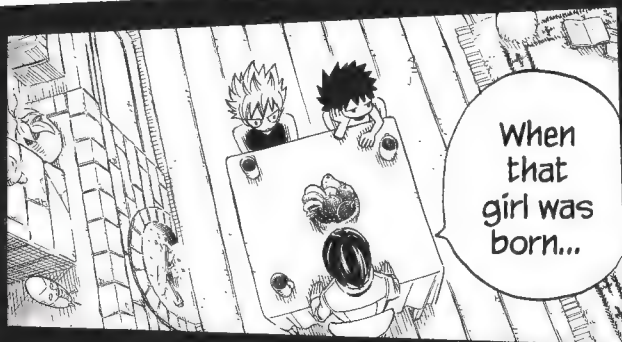








Ur spoke to
us about you
only once.



When
that
girl was
born...



And I saw
a future
full of hope
for her.

I felt a light
coming into
my heart.



...was a
future of
unlimited
possibilities.

Packed
inside
such a tiny
body...



I was
so very
happy.



My tears
overflowed,
and wouldn't
stop...

It was
the power
of *life*.



...to return
to a time
before I
started
hating my
mother.



...to go
to this
Great
Magic
World...

I
wanted...



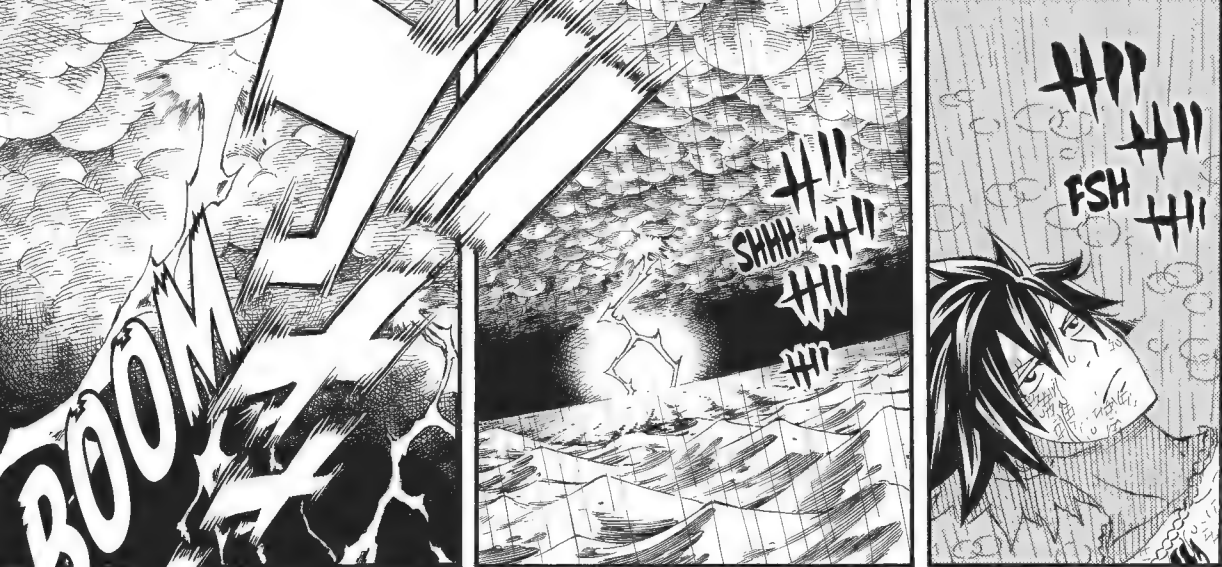
"Ur's
tear."

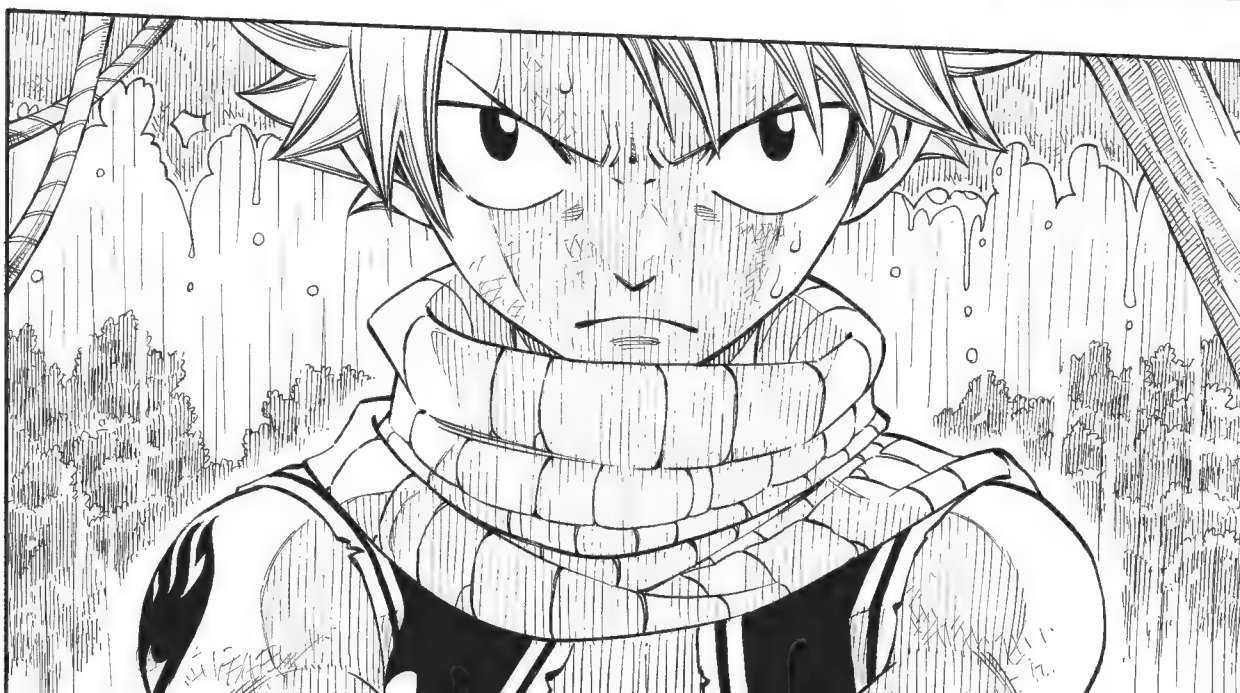
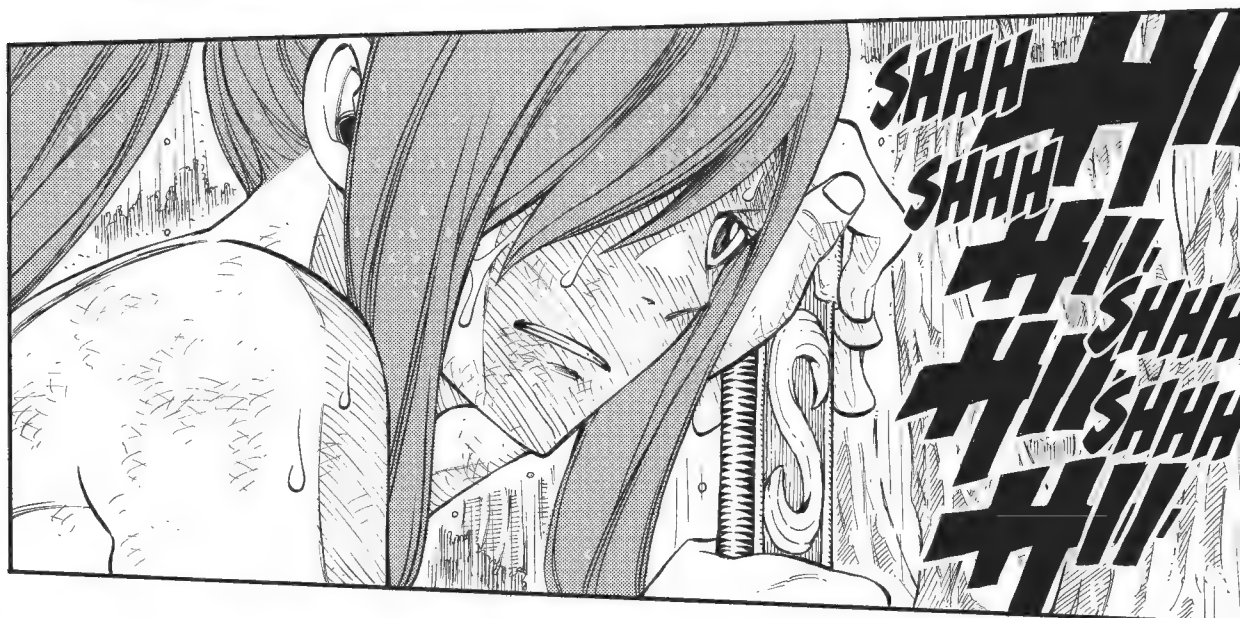
That
child was
proof of
my own
life.



All I
wanted
was to
want to
see my
mother
again...





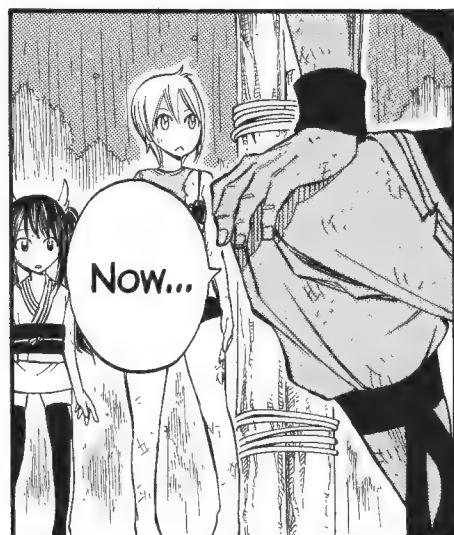


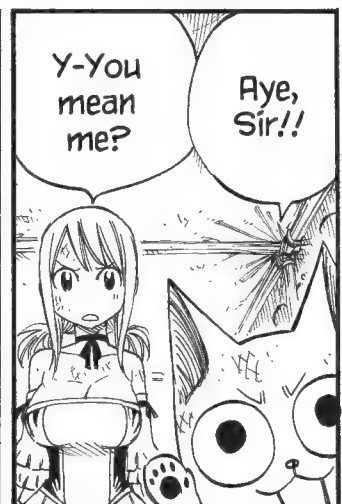
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Chapter 242: Acnologia









I'll stay here.
I can help
Fried with his
Jutsu-
shiki.

Me too. I
want to stay
with my
sister and
brother.



I-I'll
go too.
Somebody
has to get
revenge
for Gajeel.



I know I can
be useful to
Natsu-san in
a supporting
role.



Wait a
second,
Wendy!

I'll go with
Natsu-san's
group.



We're
gonna
give it *our*
best, too!

Yeah,
sure.

Exceed
squad,
move
out!



So this
looks
like the
last
battle!



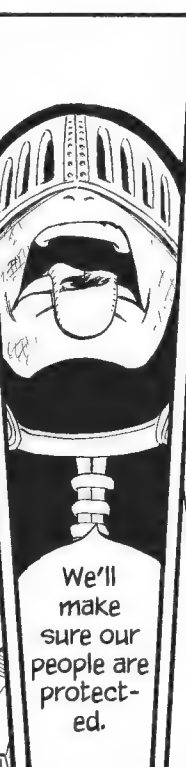
I think
the only
enemy
left is
Hades.



I've been
able to get
back a lot
of magic
power.



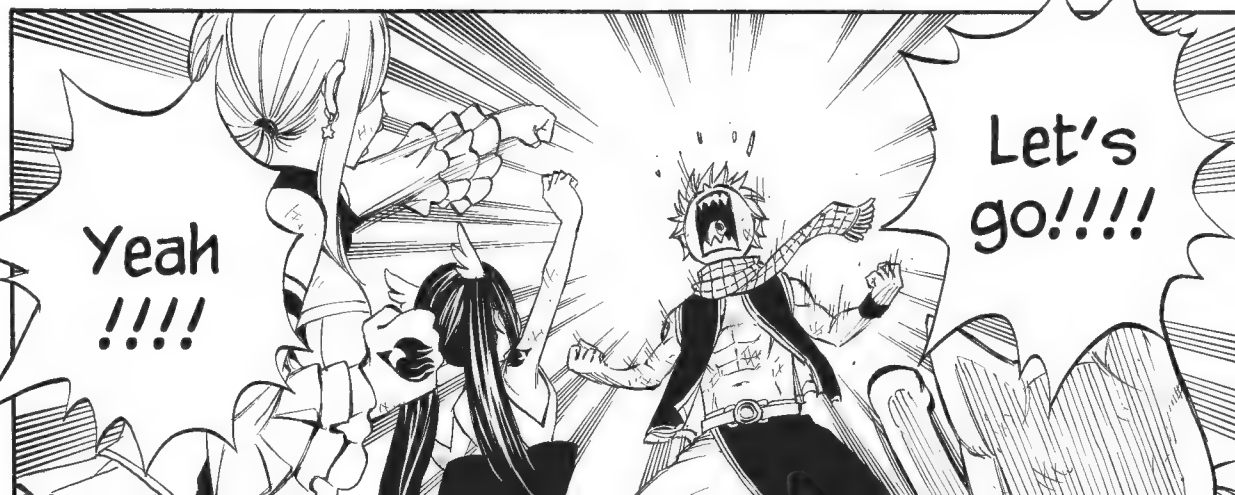
Be
careful,
Lu-
chan!



We'll
make
sure our
people are
protected.

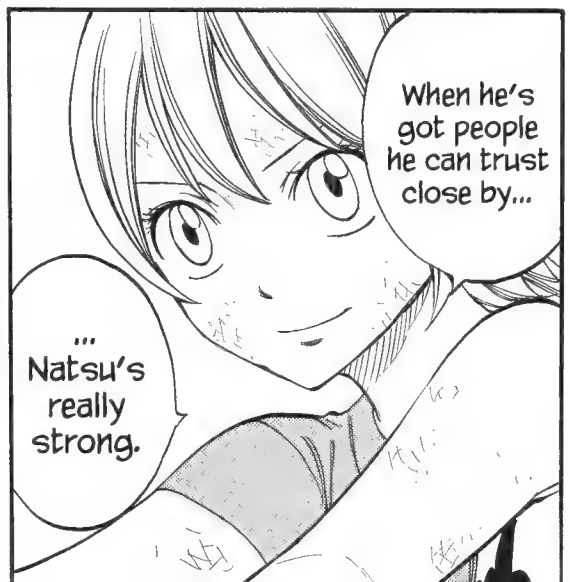
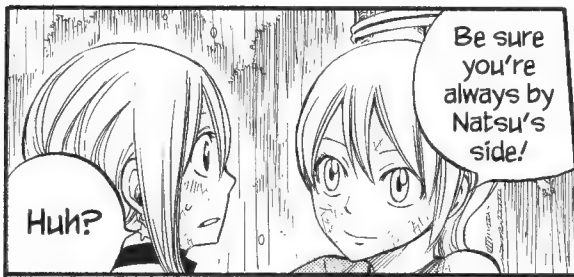


Sounds
like it's
decided.



Yeah
!!!!

Let's
go!!!!







Right
?!

I knew it!
You plan to
betray us
with Ultear!



No,
I...



Where do
you think
you're taking
Zeref?!

I-I'm
just...



You ain't
a Grimoire
Heart member
anymore
!!!!

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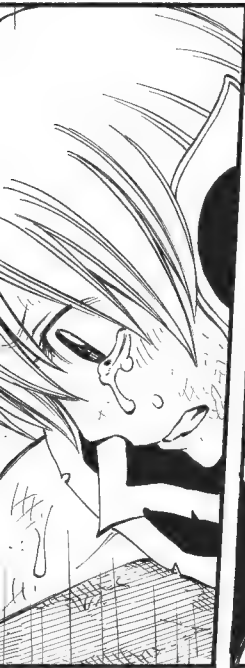
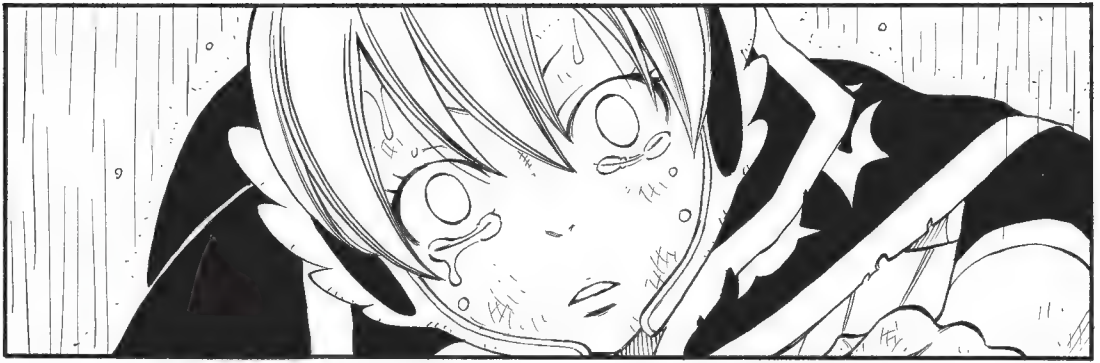
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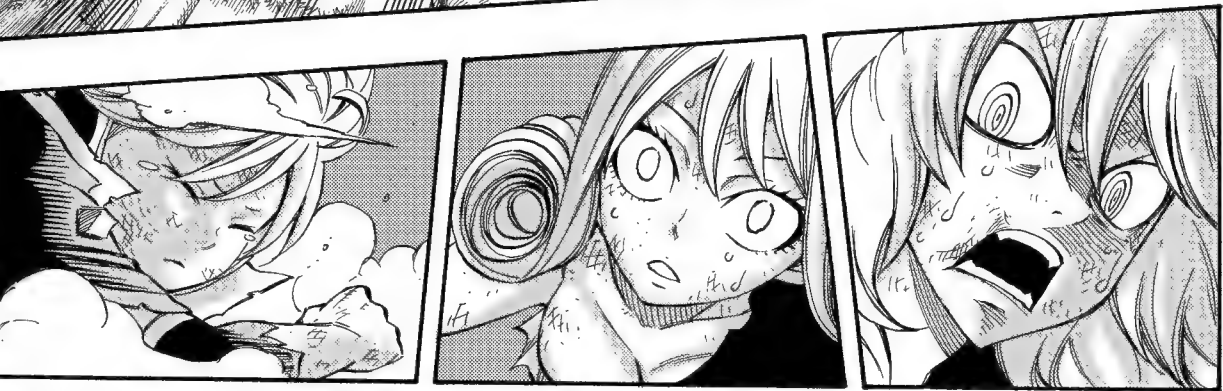
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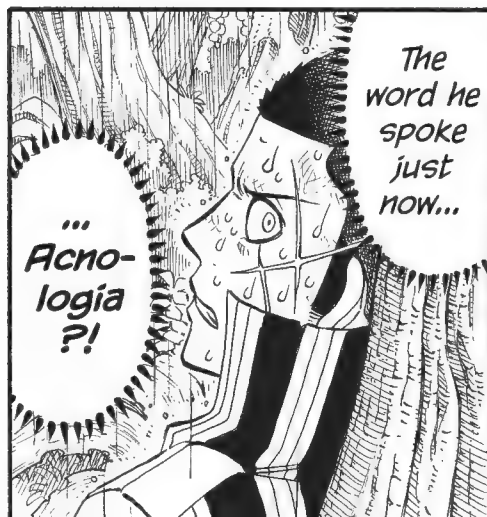
Thank goodness.





If this age
were to come
to an end
now...

...then
I might
act once
more.



...
Acno-
logia
?!

The
word he
spoke
just
now...



I wish
you'd come
break me
before that
happens...

...
Natsu.





Are
you all
right?



Erza...





Now, shall we play?



RUMBLE

But this is depressing.

That I should have to condescend to face foot soldiers myself.

The curtain will fall as a devil dances with the fairies.



...and even Blue Note were defeated!

All of the Seven Kin...

I suppose I should compliment Makarov's people.

KABOOOM!

**You of
the third
generation
of Fairy
Tail.**



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Chapter 243: Errors and Experience

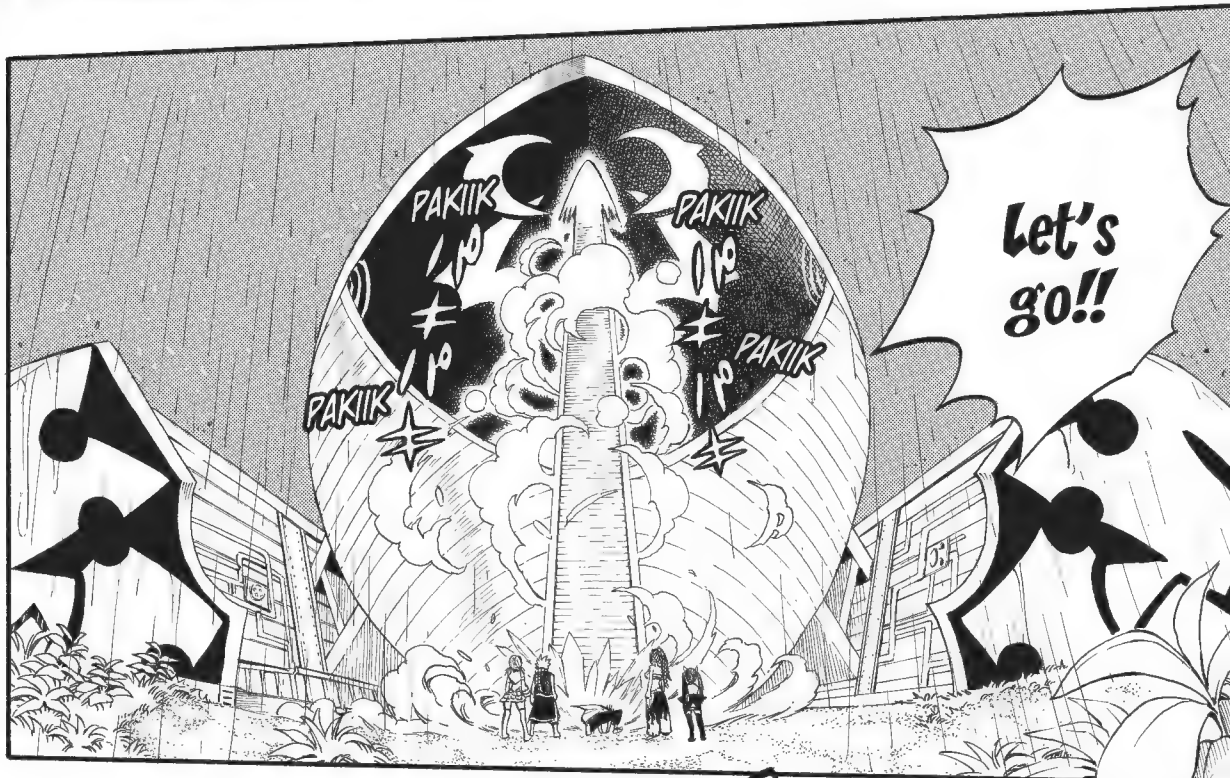


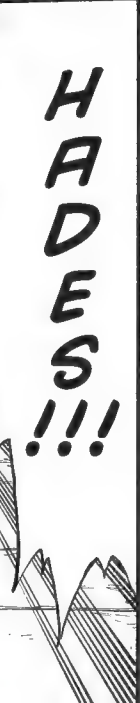
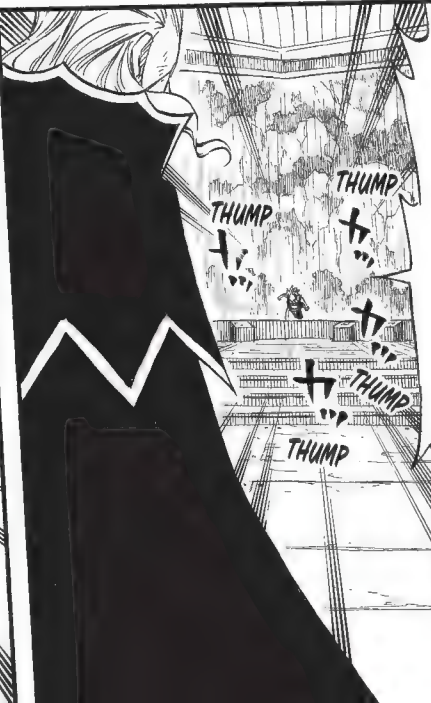




*Troia: Magic to cure motion sickness.







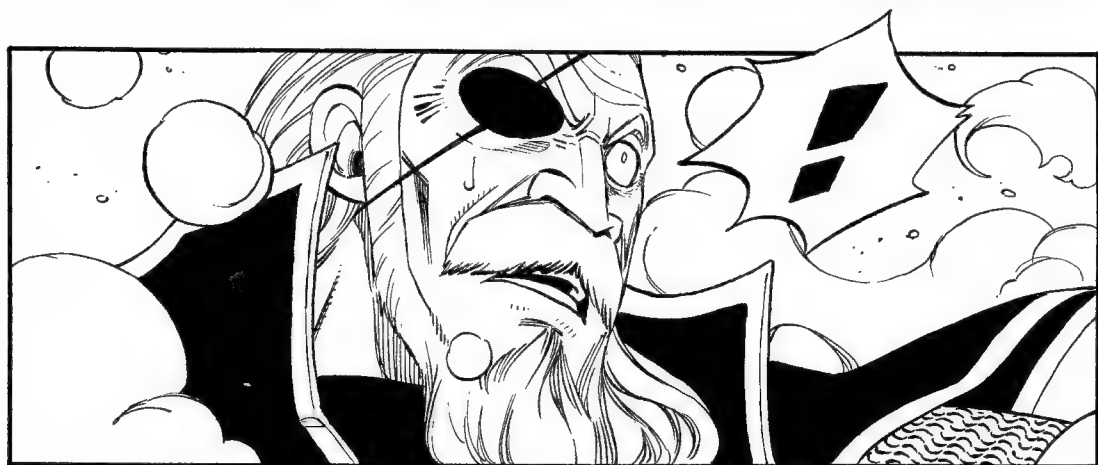


Get a
taste
of the
power
of Fairy
Tail
!!!!



...
power?

Fairy
Tail's...



**BLACK
WING:
MOON
BEAM
!!!!**

**COLD
EXCA-
LIBUR
!!!!**



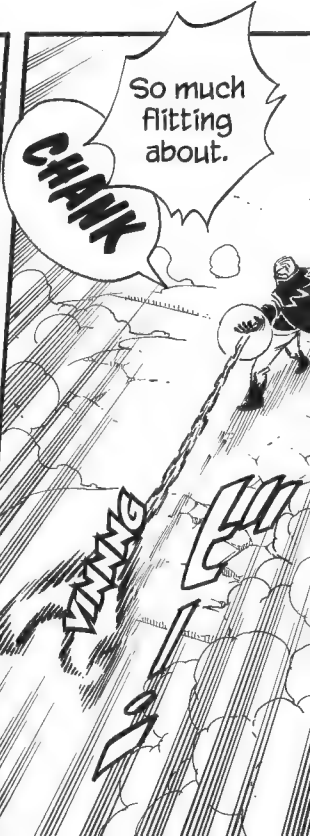
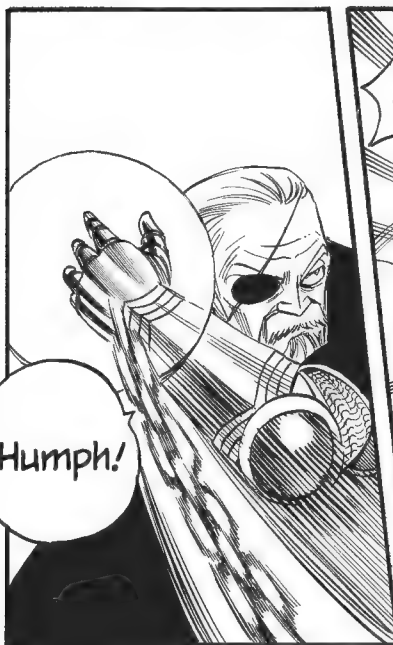


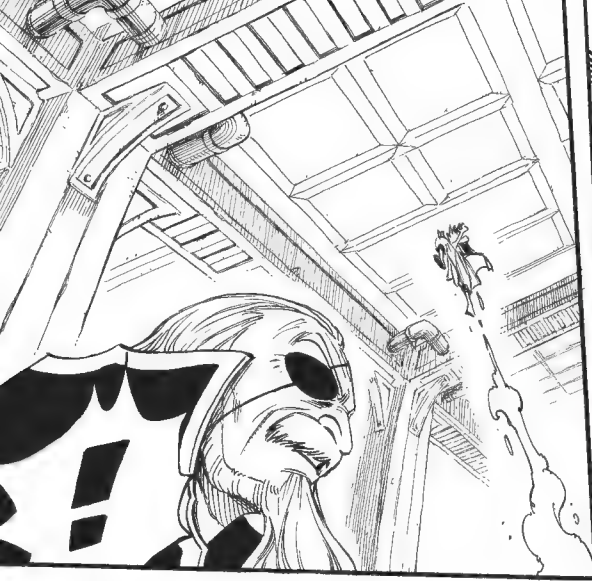
Open!!
Gate
of the
Golden
Bovine
Palace
!!!!



**ARMS!!
ARMOR!!
VERNIER!!**

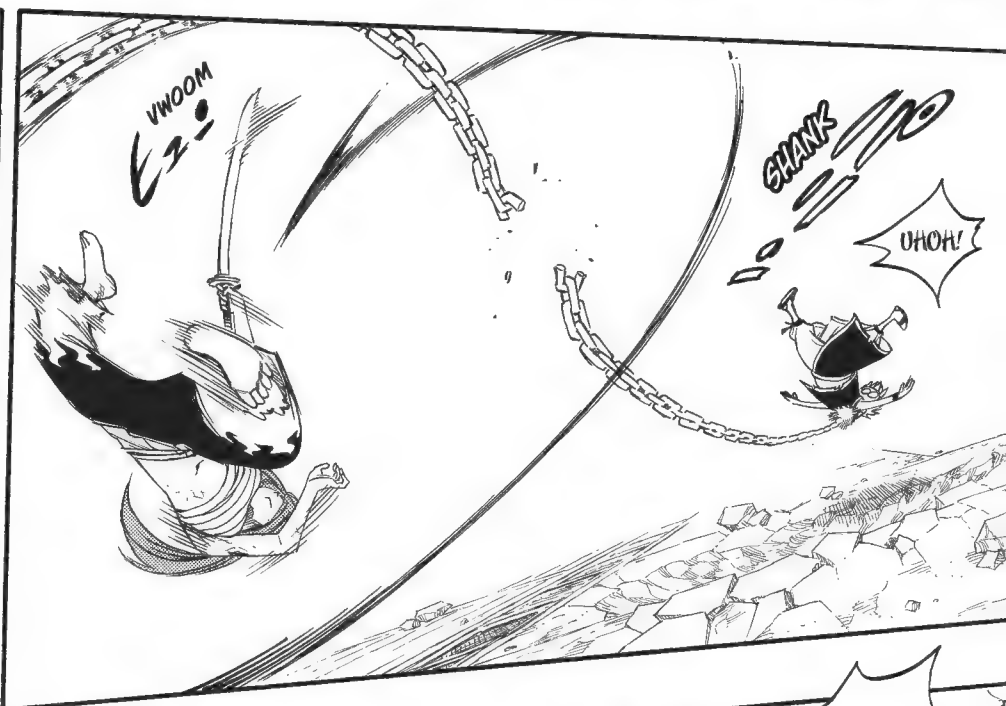
Boost
everyone's
attack,
defense and
speed!!!





*Fire Dragon's Wing Attack





...get
'im
!!!!

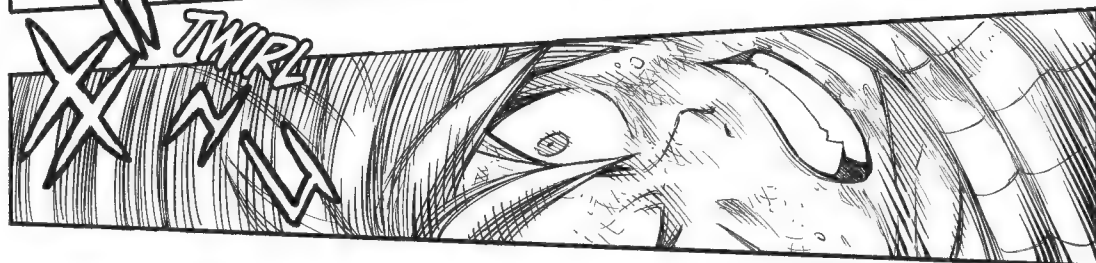
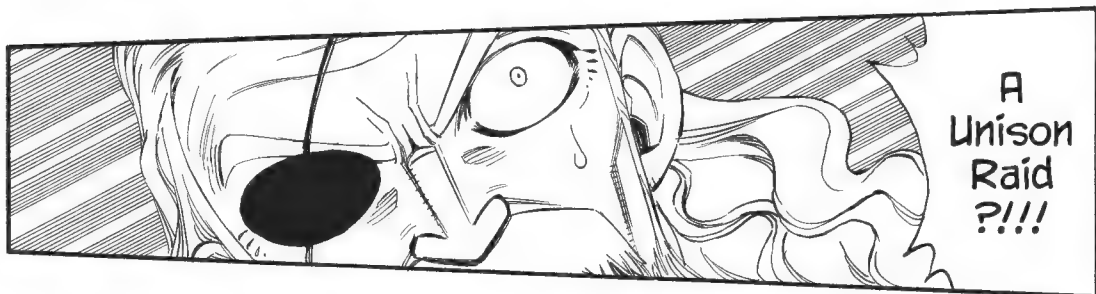
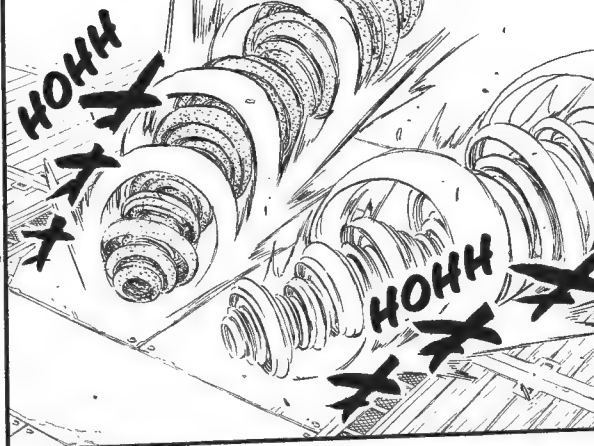


SCORPIO
!!!!

"Sky Dragon's Roar!!



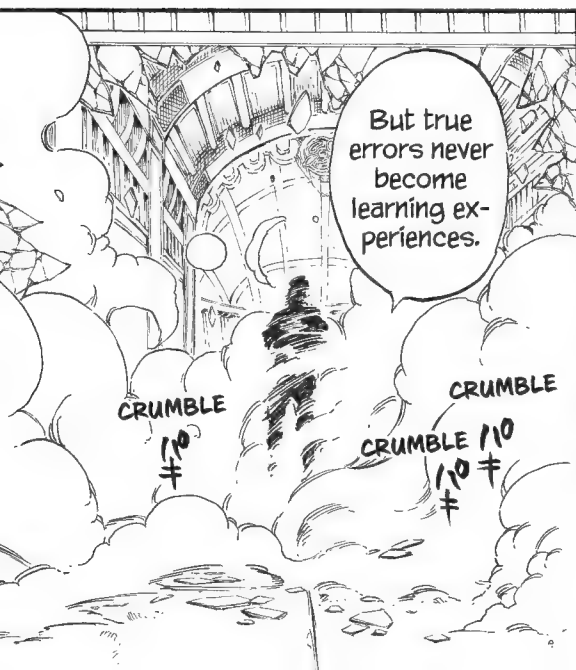
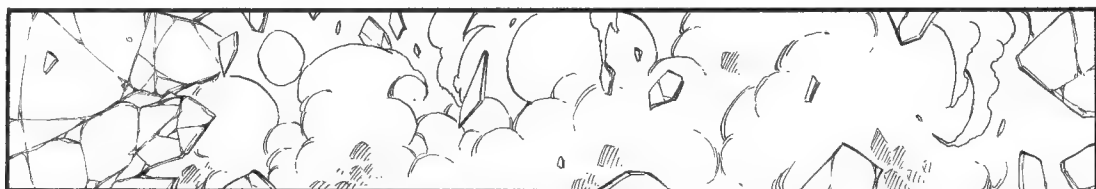
TENRYÔ
NO
HÔKÔ*
!!!!





*Fire Dragon's Sword Edge!!







And
you will
not have
the chance
to learn
from it!

The
error you
committed
was to stand
against me.



He's using
a different
type of
magic
now!



Hey...
That was
our full
power!



You're
kidding...

It's
like he
didn't
even
feel it!



Shall we
begin?

Now...

...that I'm
finished
warming
up...



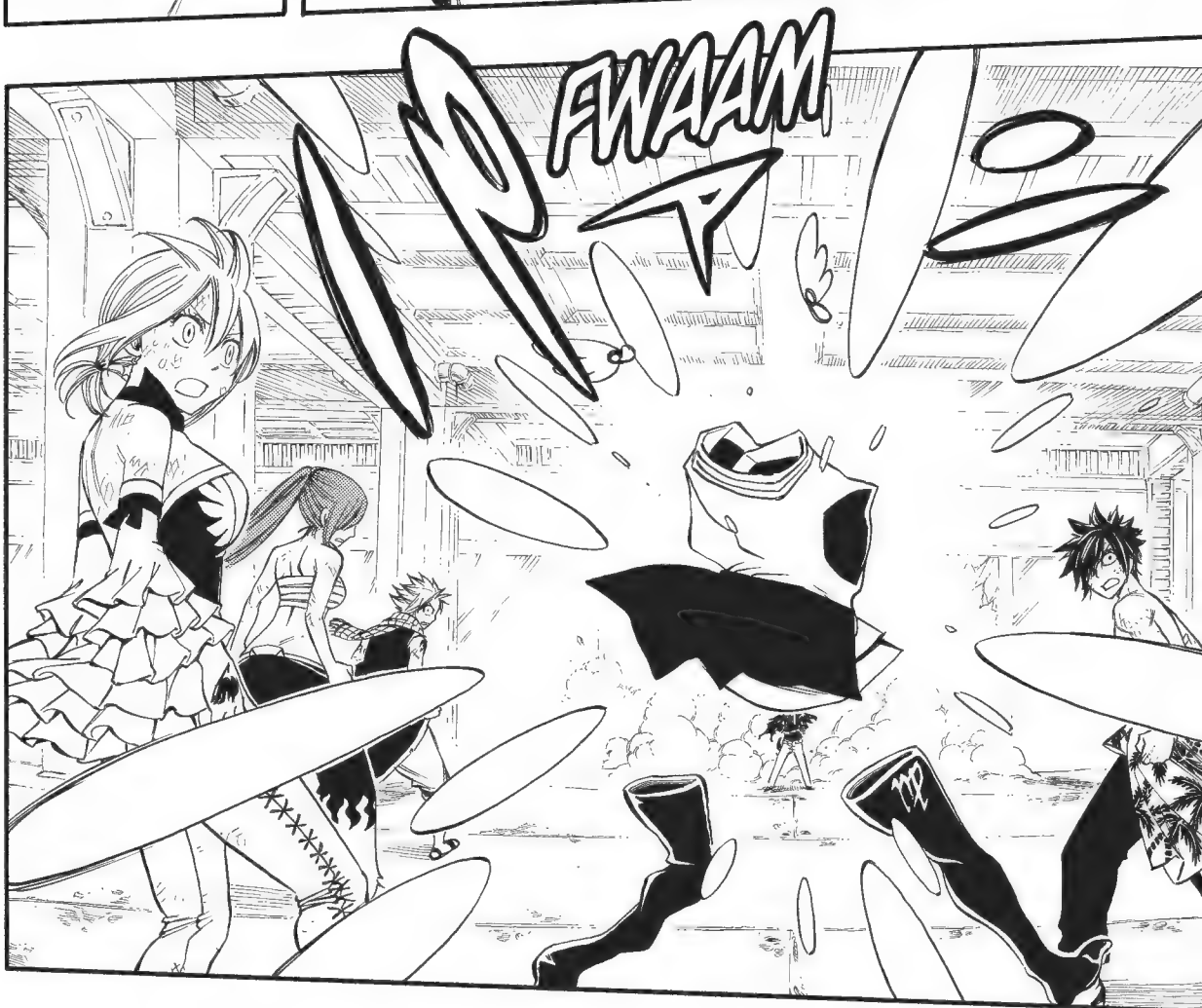
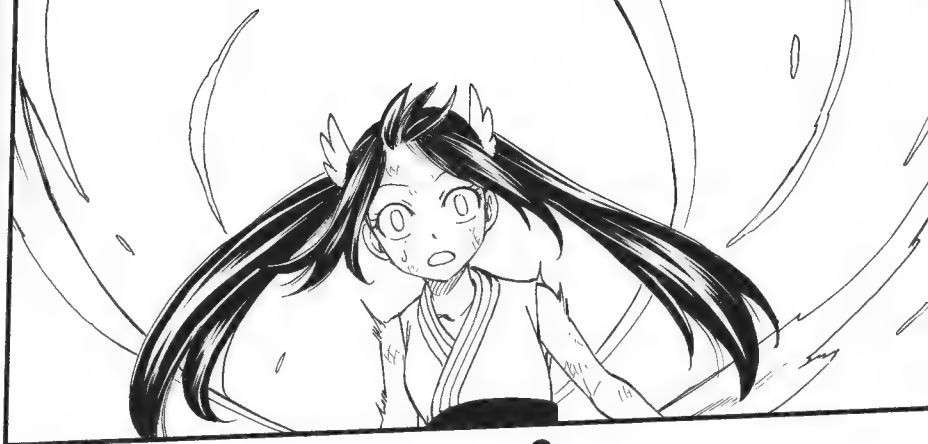


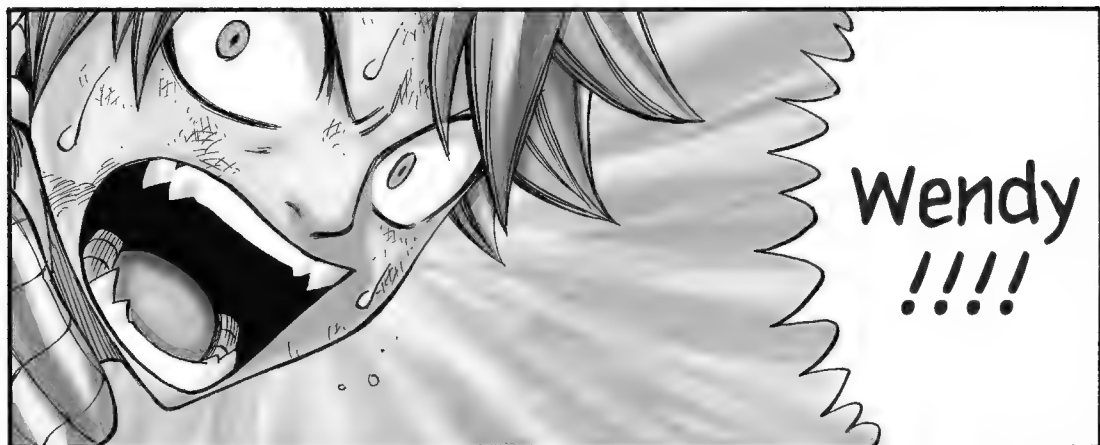
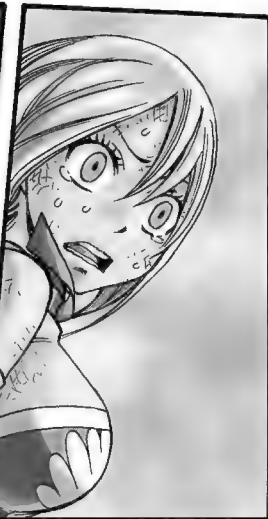
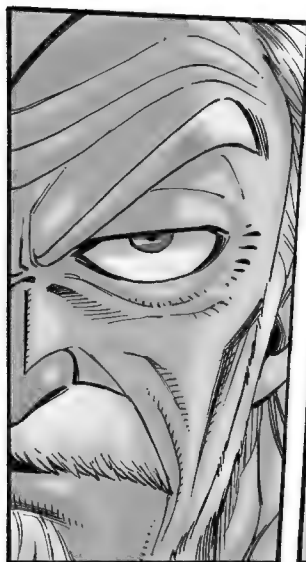
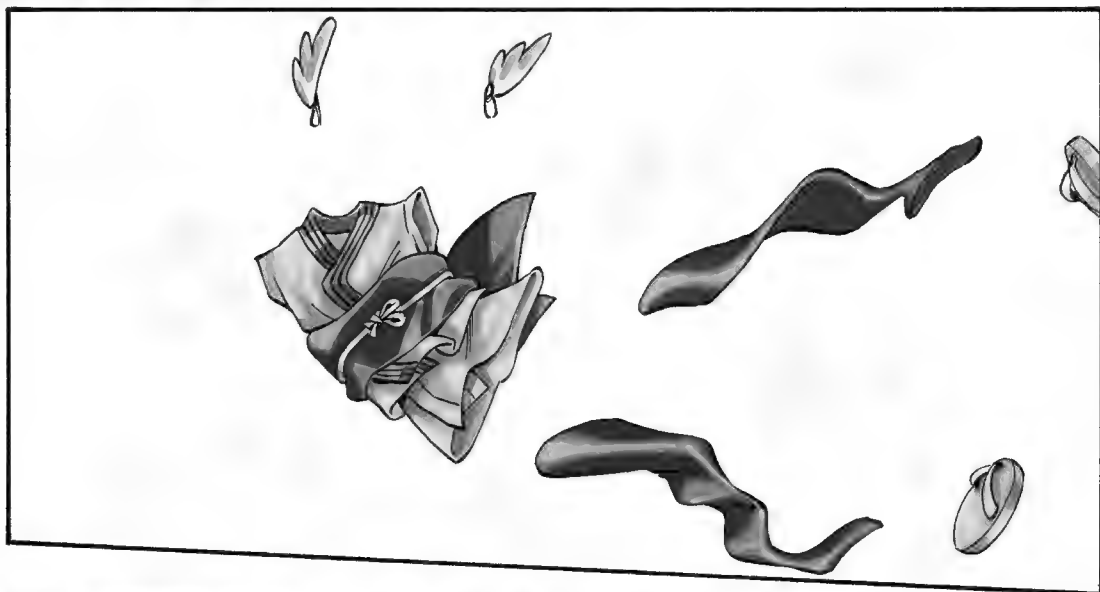
Here it comes
!!!!

*Chastise



KATSU*

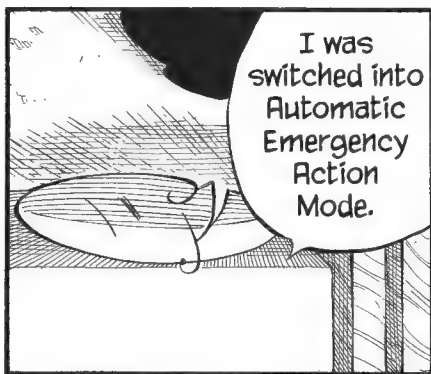




Chapter 244: The Peal of Thunder









It was an emergency, so only the intended victim herself could be rescued.

But why did only her clothes fall?



She says, "Thank you very much, Horologium-san."

They did not meet the Emergency Level that was set at this juncture, I am sorry to say.

Bewildering as always...



I am limited to but one rescue.



In any case, you did us a favor. I thank you.



The young miss says, "Eeeeeek!"

So you're saying that inside there, Wendy is...

Now, if you would please don the gift prepared.



Thank you!



...take care in the future.

So everyone, if you please...



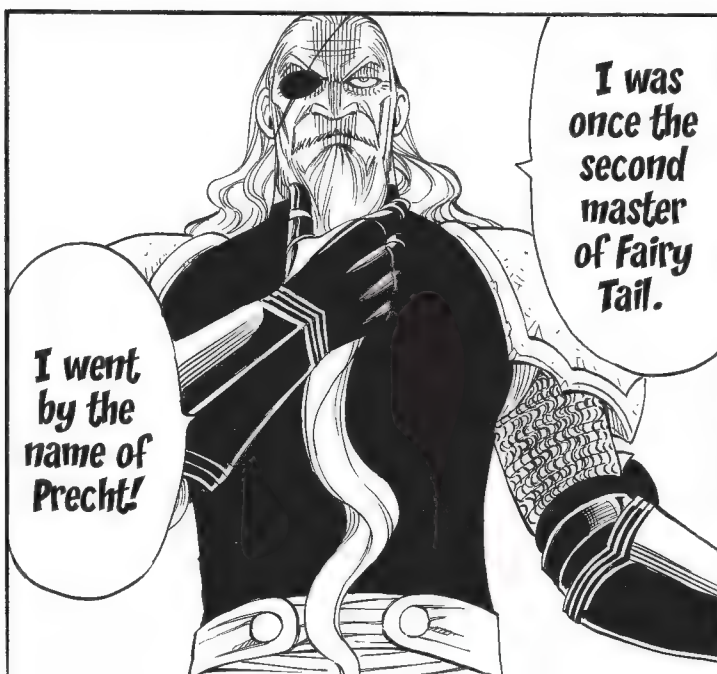
So you and the old man know each other?



...are fairly amusing.



Makarov's children...



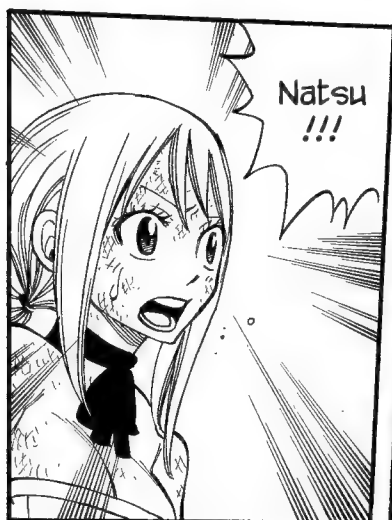
I went by the name of Precht!

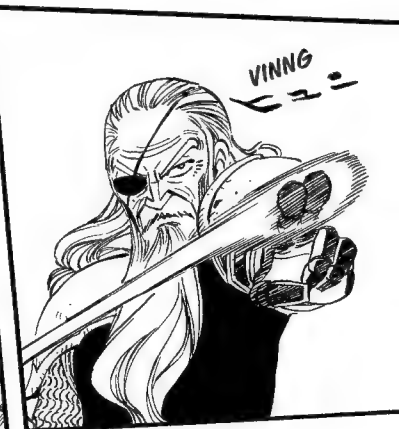
I was once the second master of Fairy Tail.



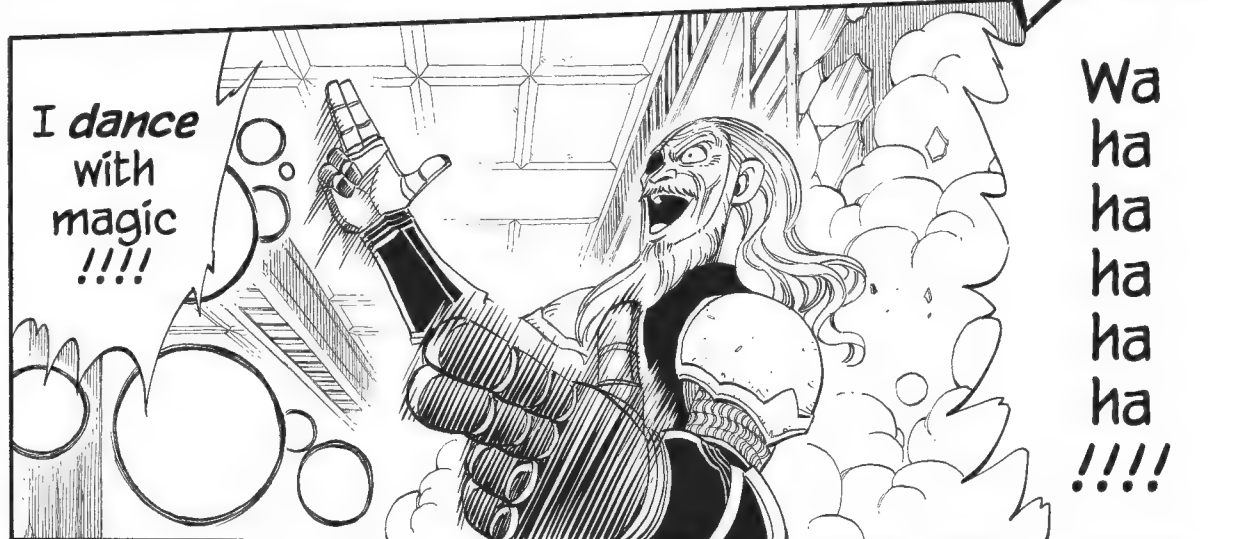
What? Weren't you informed?

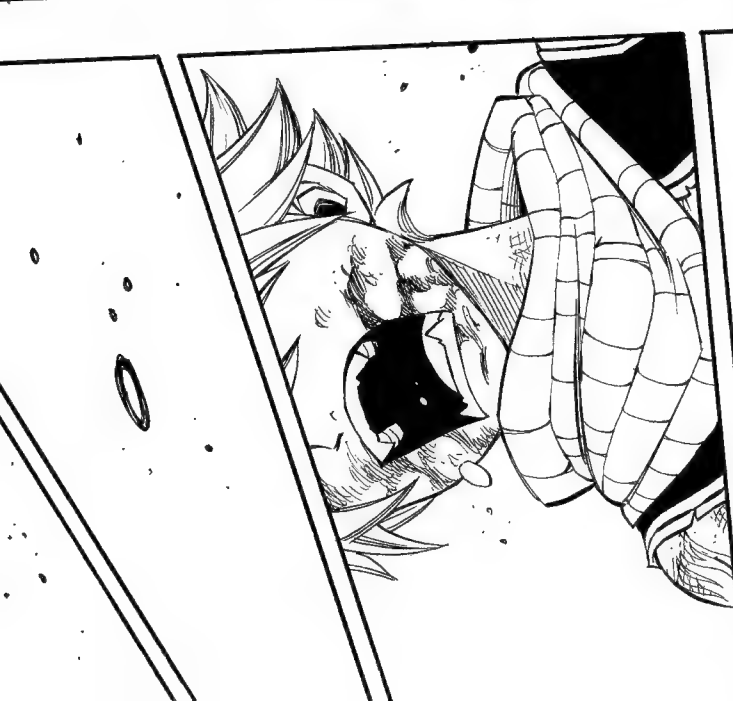
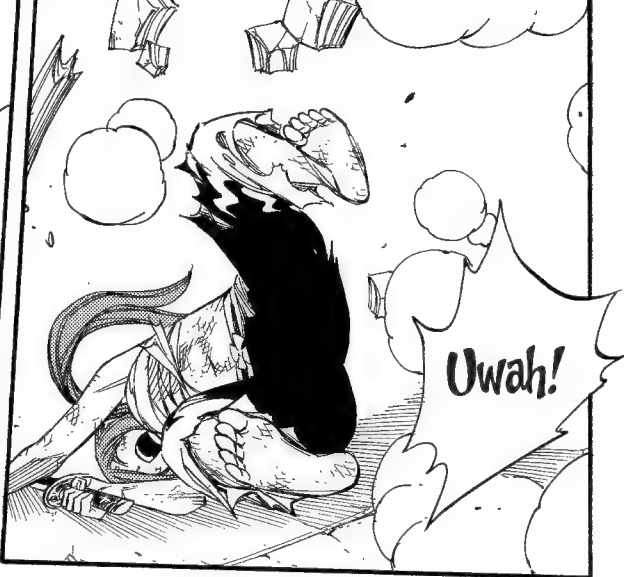
Aren't I recorded in the annals of the guild?

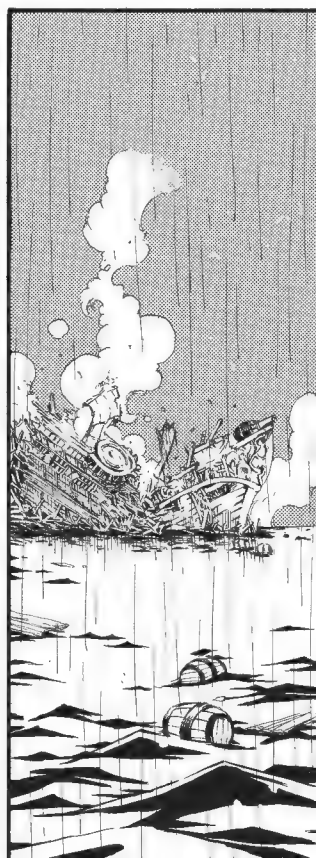
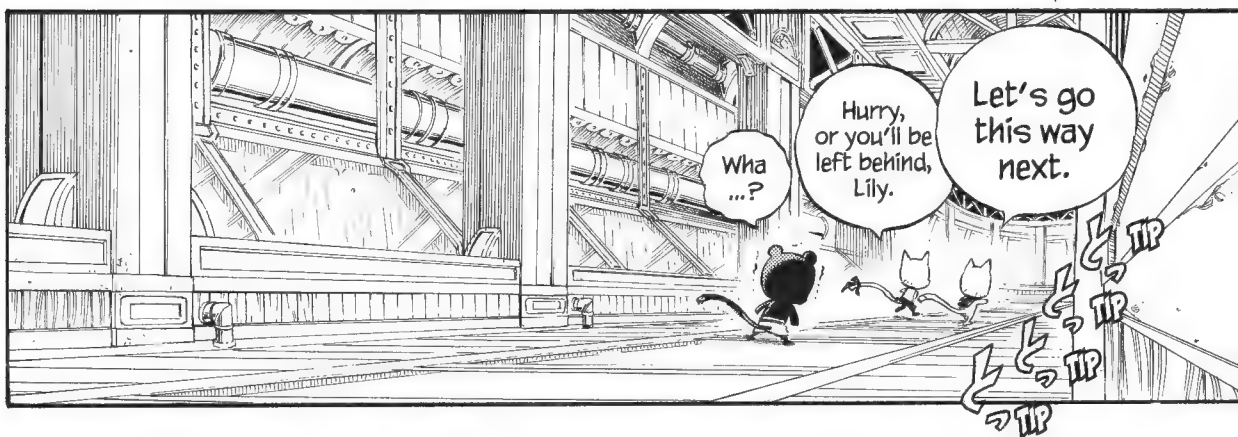
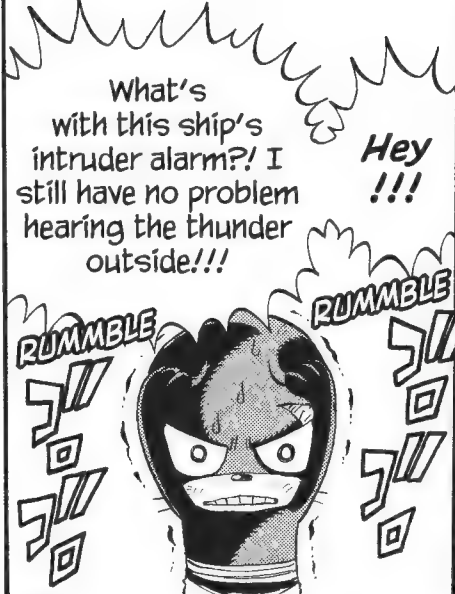
















And,
therefore,
an eternal
adventure.



It's an
eternal
mystery.



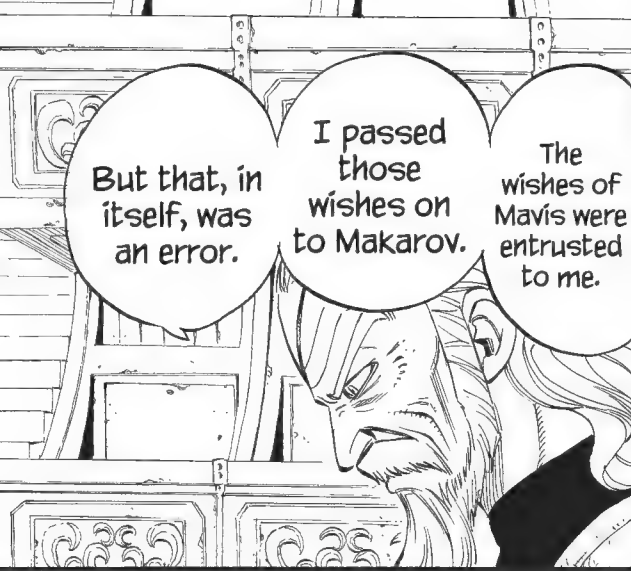
Do fairies
have tails,
or don't
they?



Ugh
...



I think
that's
how the
guild
got its
name.





If you
don't
got the
guts to
change,
then stop
living
!!!!



You are a
noisy little
imp.



Natsu
...



Gah!

ZUCH



ZLICH

ZLICH

If you want
someone to
hate, hate
Makarov.



AA!

AAA!

AA!



ZLICH

ZLICH

ZLICH

Stop...



ZLICH

ZLICH

ZLICH

ZLICH



HAH

.....

HAH

HAH

I'm
gonna
...



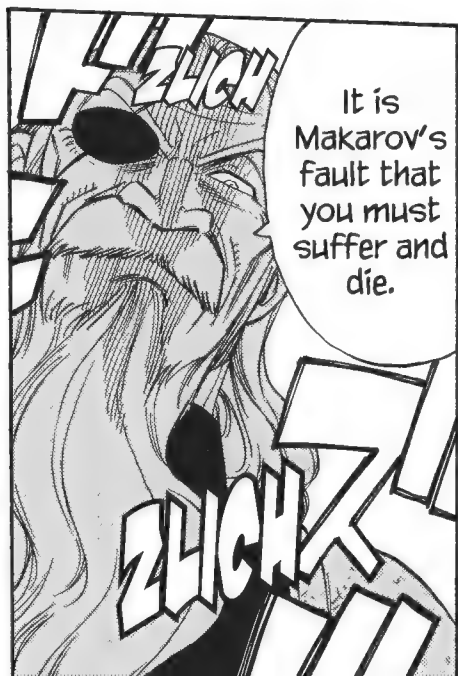
WAAA
...

Sniff...

Sniff
...



Stop
this
!!!!



ZLICH

It is
Makarov's
fault that
you must
suffer and
die.

ZLICH



...get
revenge...
for the
old man...

HAH

HAH

HAH

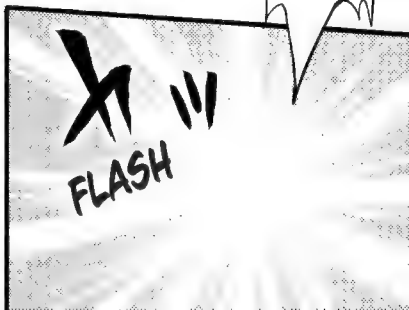


Enough!

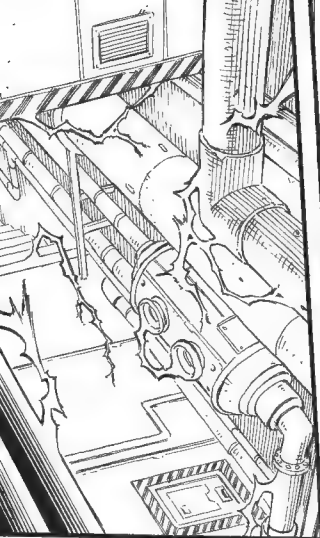
Be
gone!



Stop
it!!!!



FLASH



ROAR

Oh, nooo !!!

It struck INSIDE the ship?!!!

Calm down, both of you!

THUMPA THUMPA

ROOAR

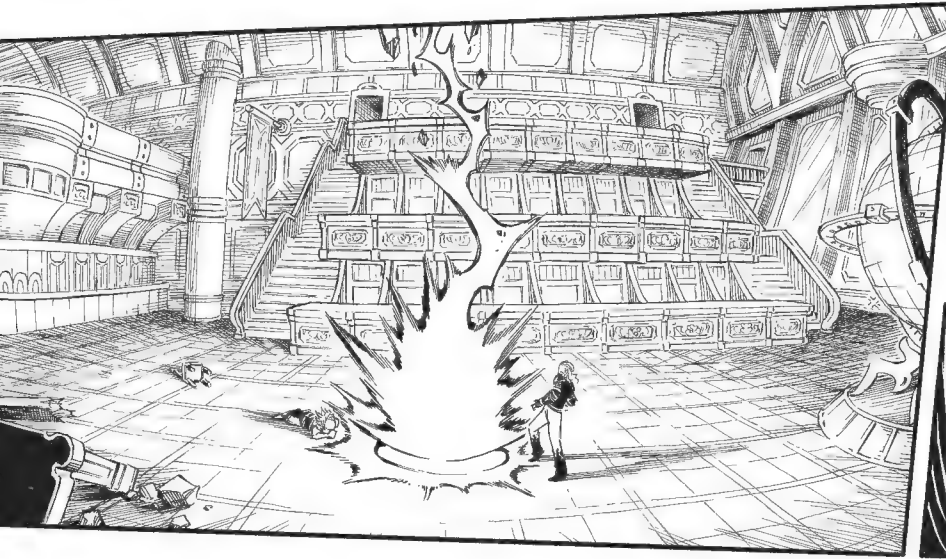
KRAKL

KRAKL

KRAKL

KRAKL

KRAKL



So *this* is the guy who hurt Gramps...





Natsu?!

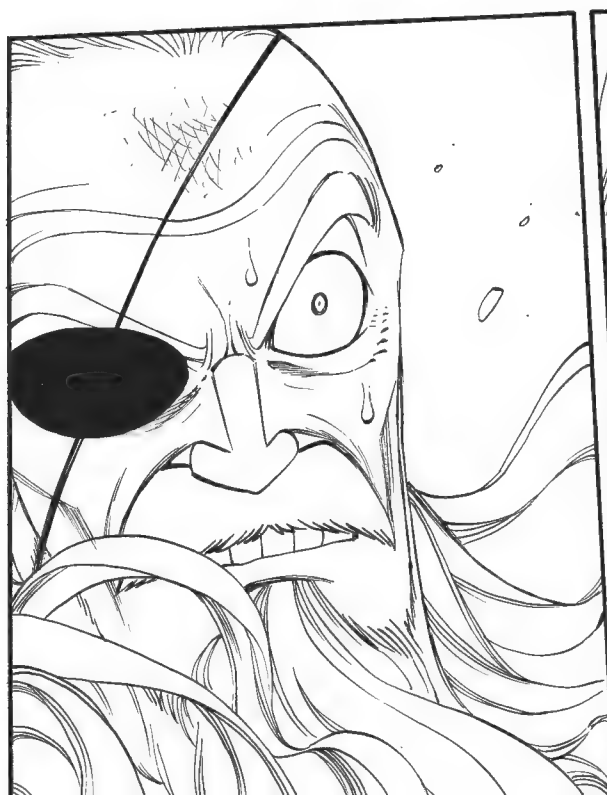


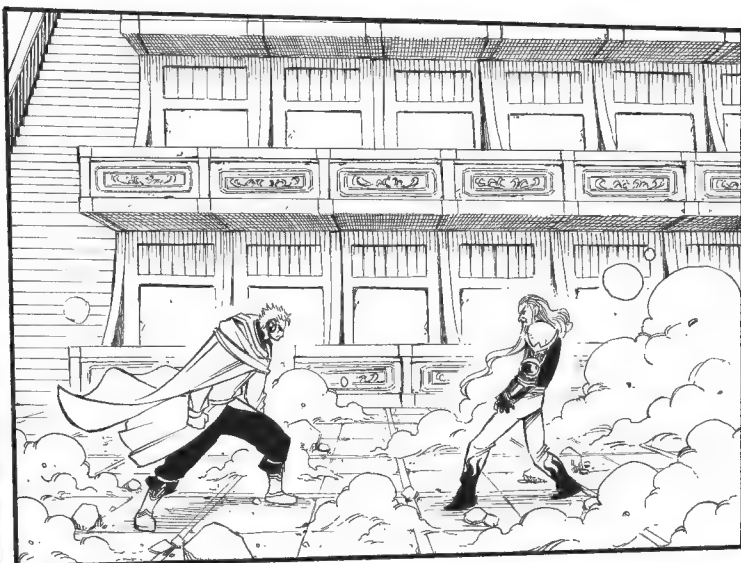
FAIRY TAIL

フェアリーテイル

Chapter 245: The Man Without the Mark

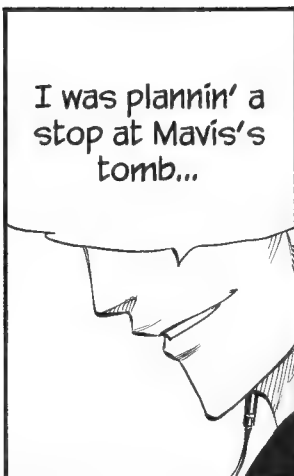








But it was
a surprise to
find the second
master here too.



I was plannin' a
stop at Mavis's
tomb...



Just payin'
my respects
to the
first guild
master.

I'm still
a former
Fairy Tail
member,
at least.

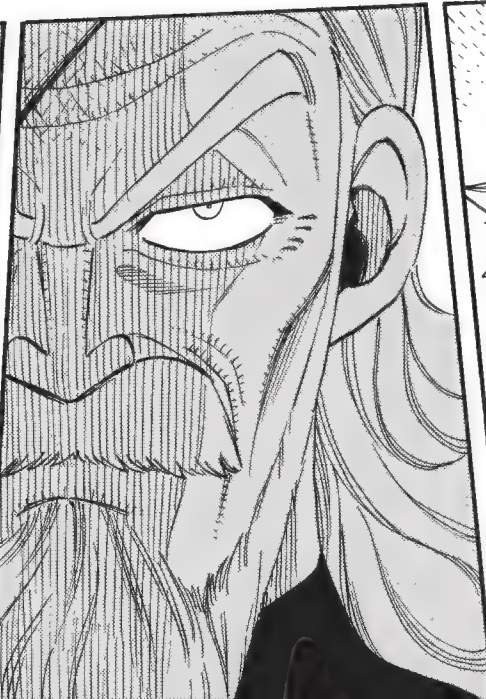
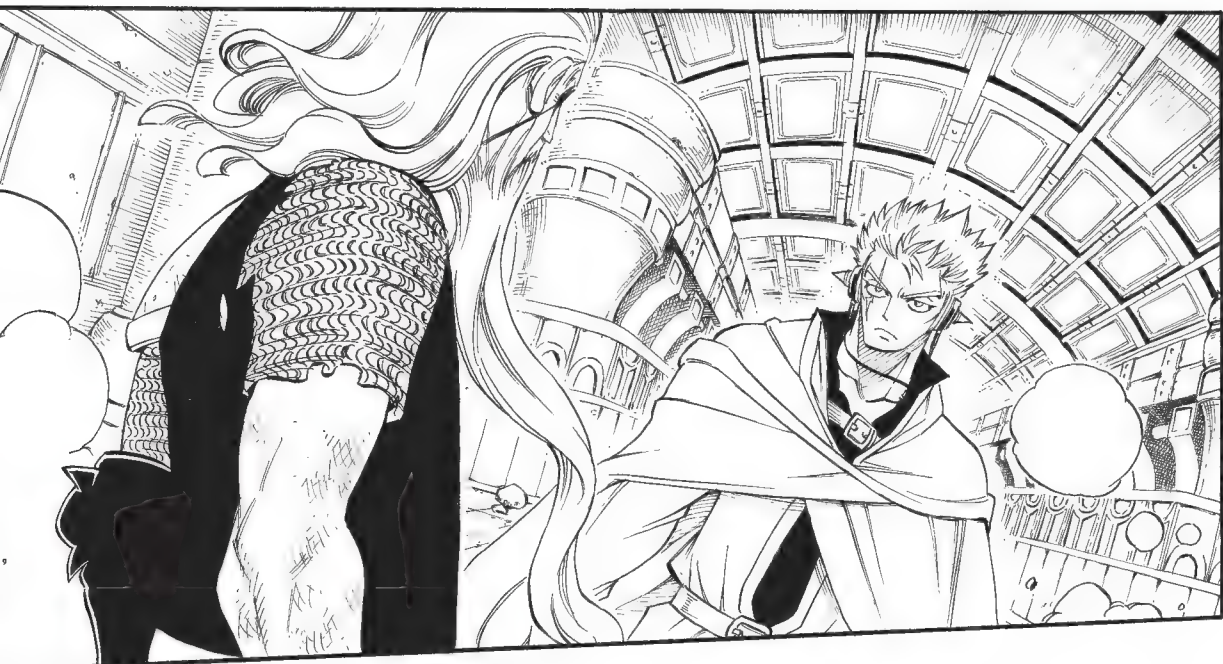
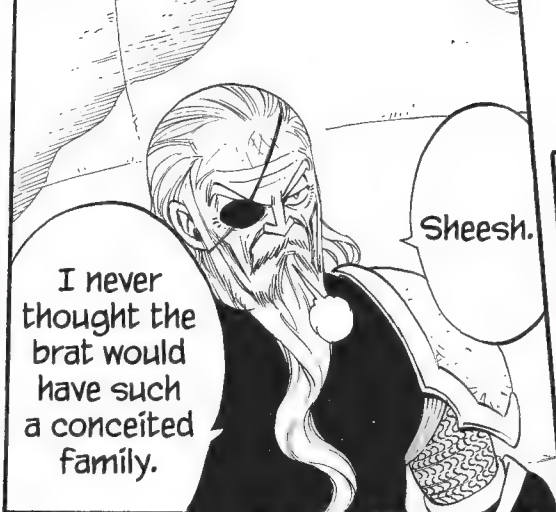
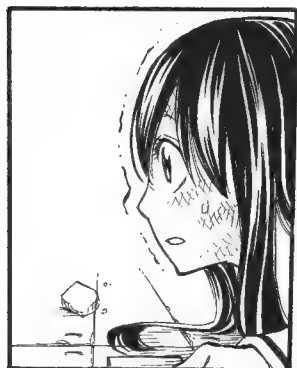


Why
are you
here...?



**While
I'm at it,
why don't
I...**

**... dig
your
grave
too?**



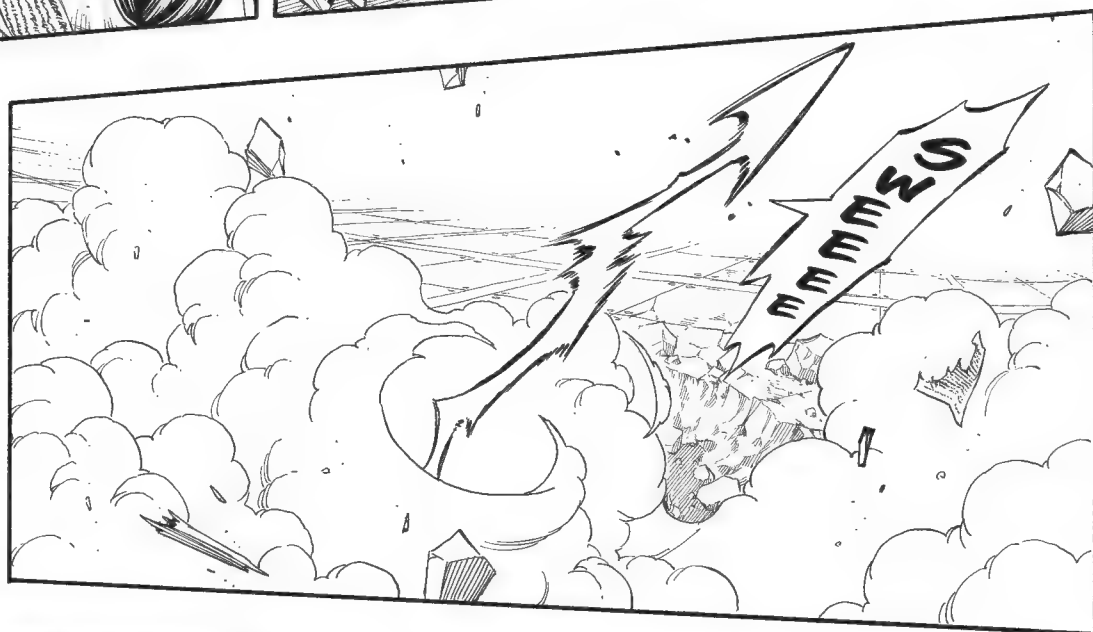










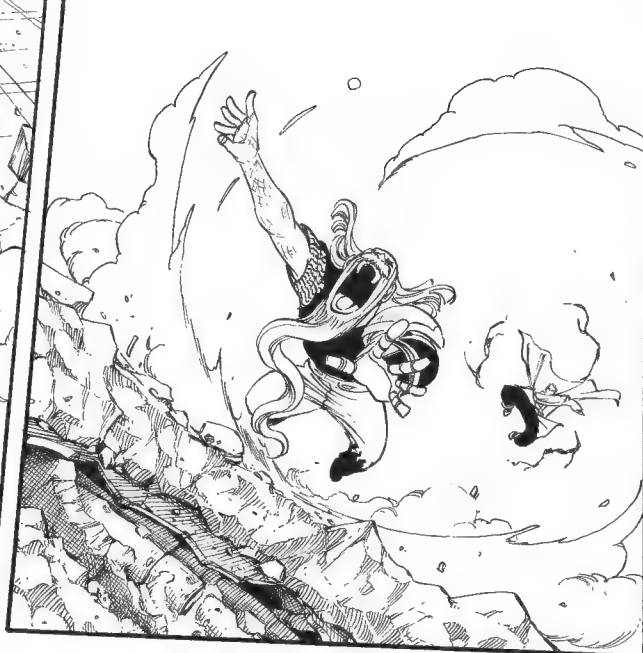


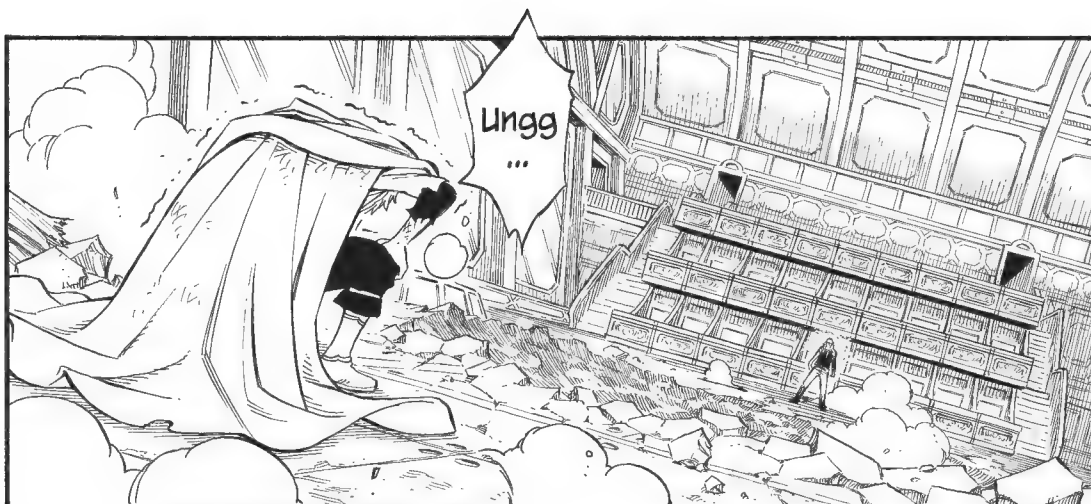
SKREEEECH

GAAAH!!

GANCH







What're
you talking
about,
Lexus?!!



But I'm
not done
yet...

...to have
a monster
like this guy
living in
it...

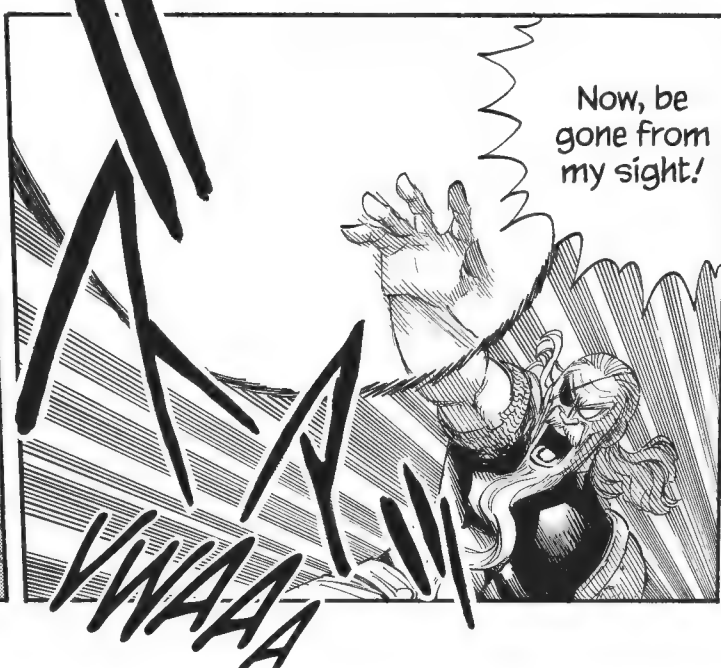
The world
really is a
big place...



Hang
in there,
Lexus!!!



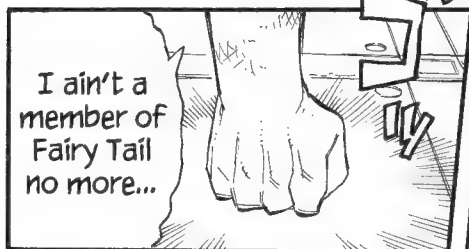
**Lexus,
stand
up!!!!**



Now, be
gone from
my sight!



You
certainly did
a job on me,
didn't you?
"Lexus,"
was it?



I ain't a member of Fairy Tail no more...



Nobody can just take an attack like that!

But when you hurt my gramps that way...

Dodge it!!!



You know...



...it still pisses me off!

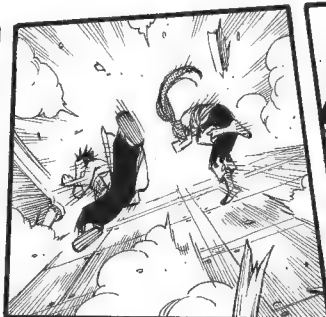
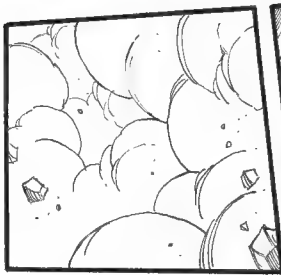


Lightning?!!

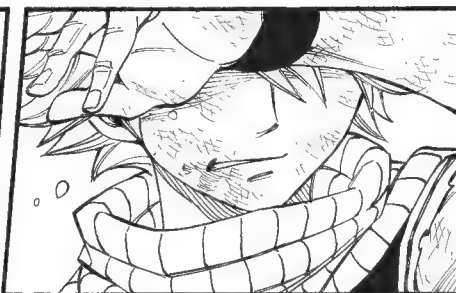
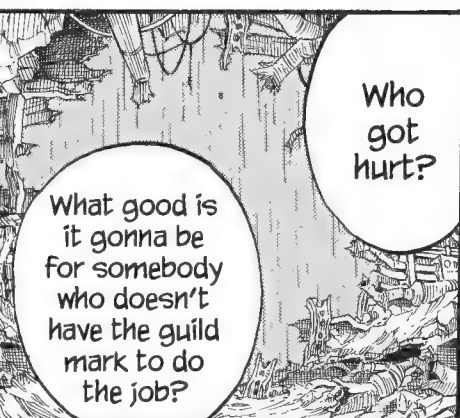
Lexus's ...?!!



No kidding!!!!









for the
Raienryû*
!!!

It's
payback
time...

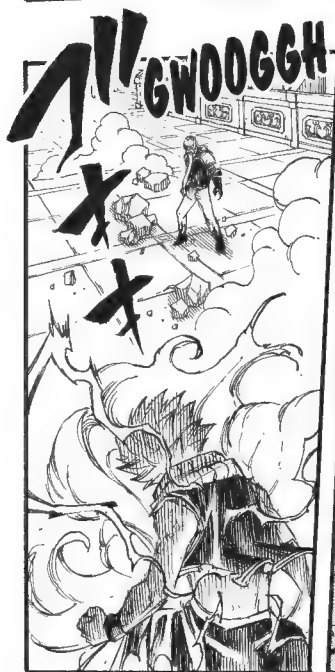
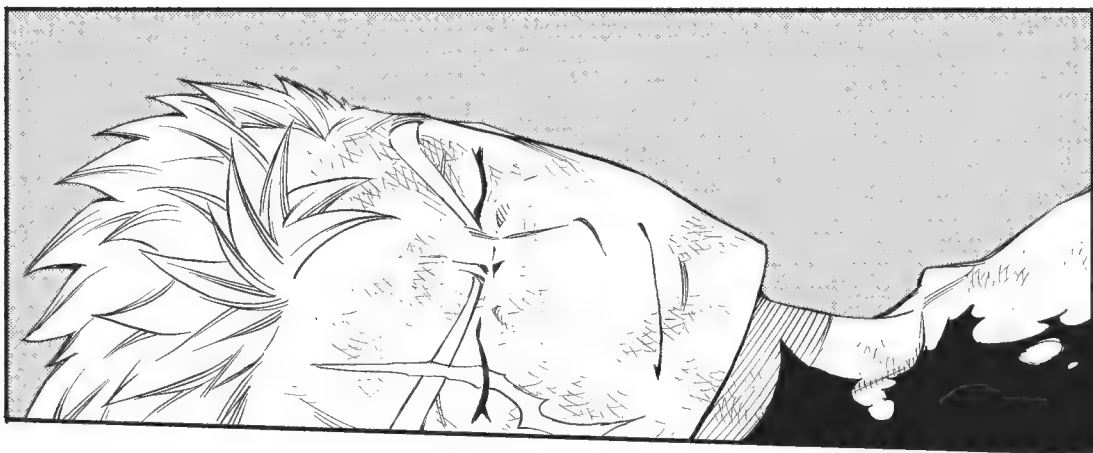
GWOOGGGH

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フェアリーテイル

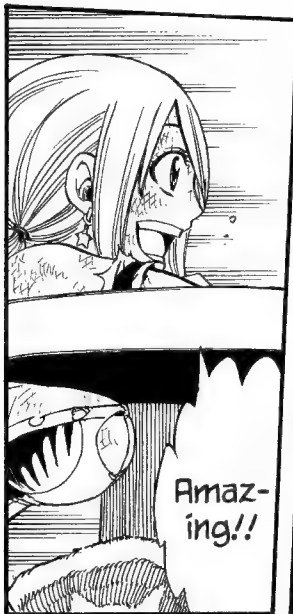
Chapter 246: The Region of the Depths

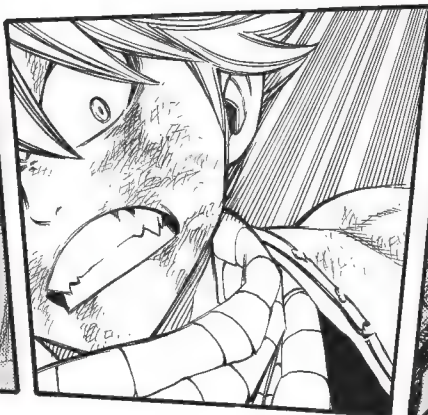
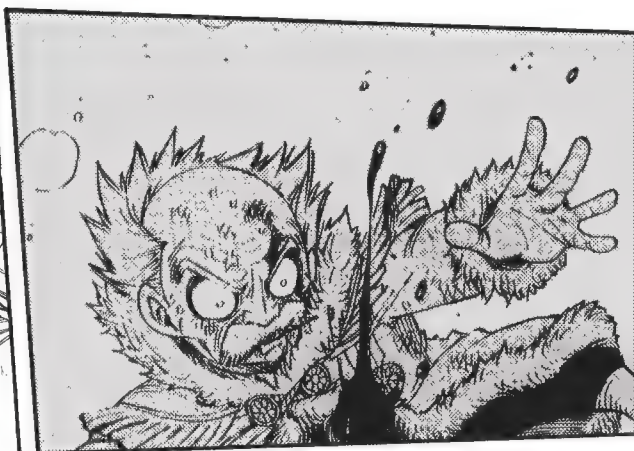


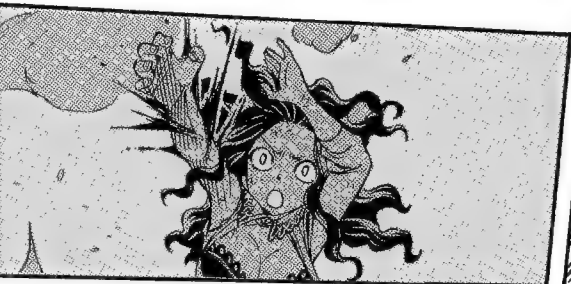






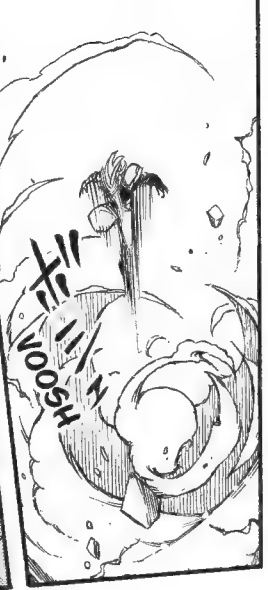








HYAH!



Ha haah!!
I've got
both your
arms
pinned!!



*Thunder-Fire Dragon's...



WHA
--?!

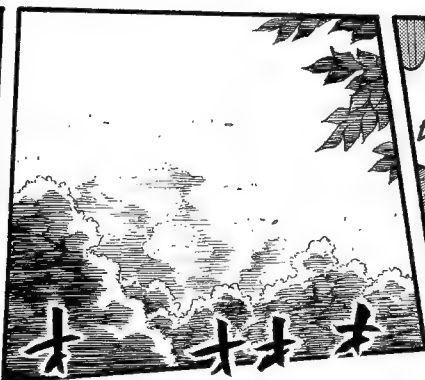


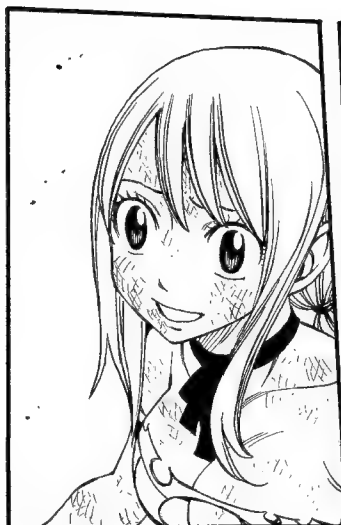
...
HôKô*
!!!!

*Roar!

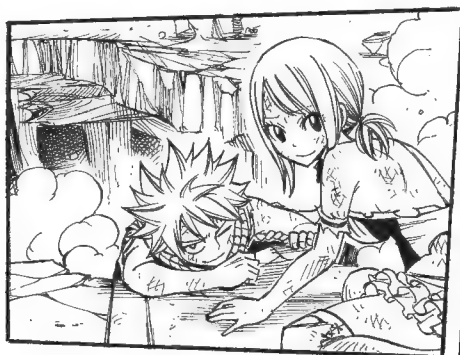
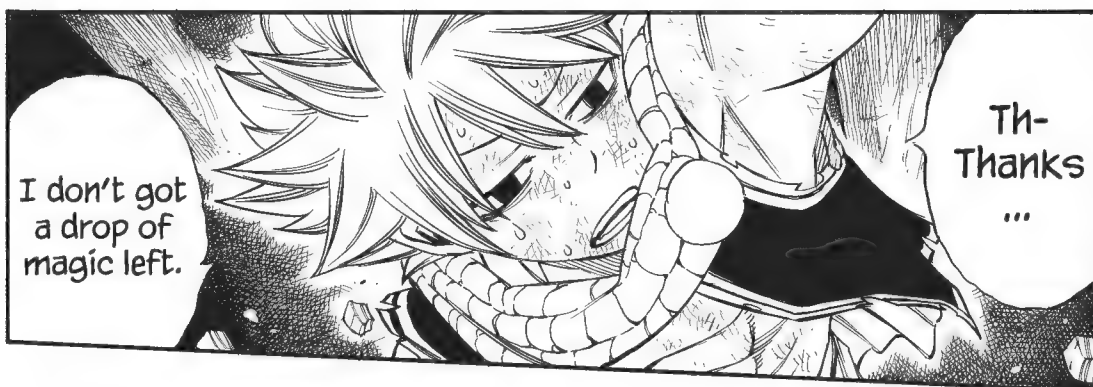
FWOOOM

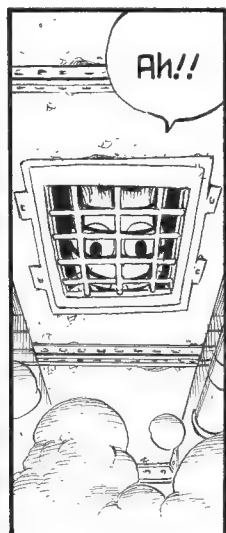
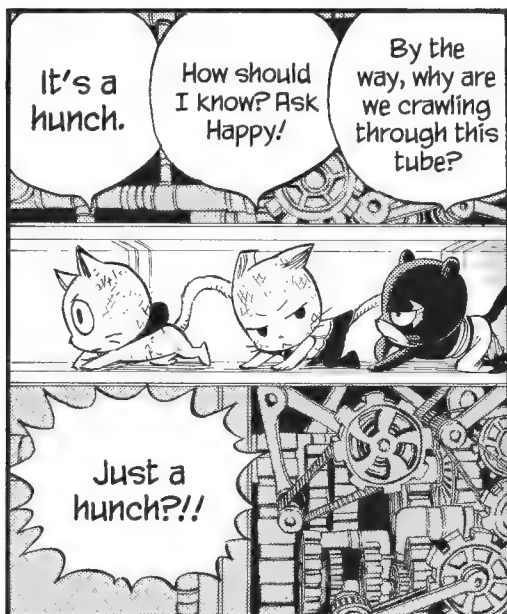
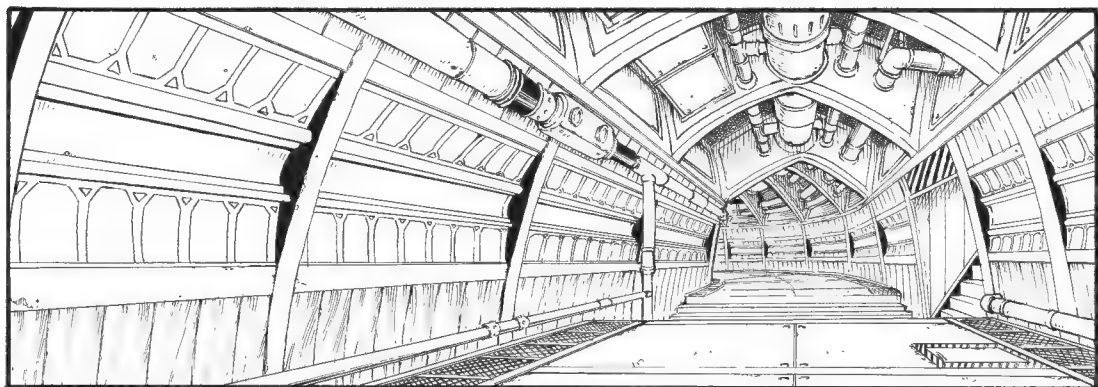












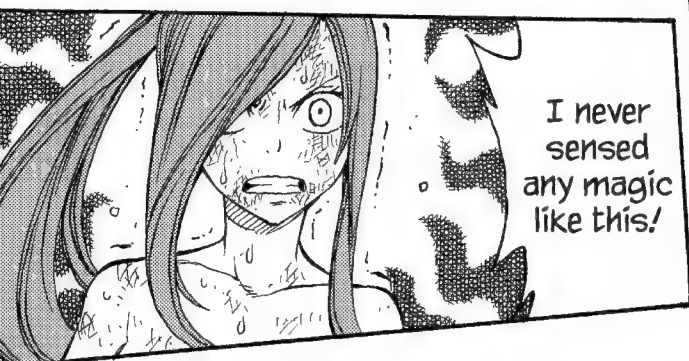




Not possible ...



This can't...be happening ...



I never sensed any magic like this!



His magic is getting even stronger!



The depths of magic!!!

You've entered a region beyond the reaches of your imagination !!!

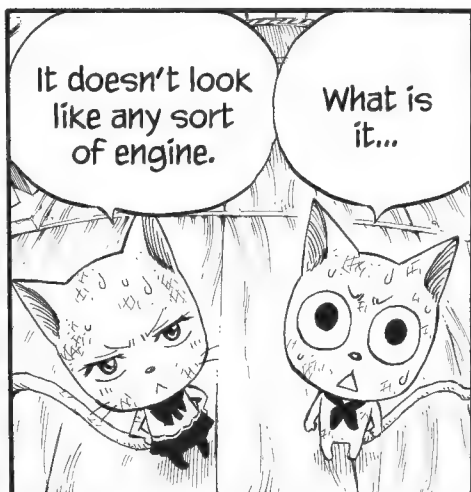
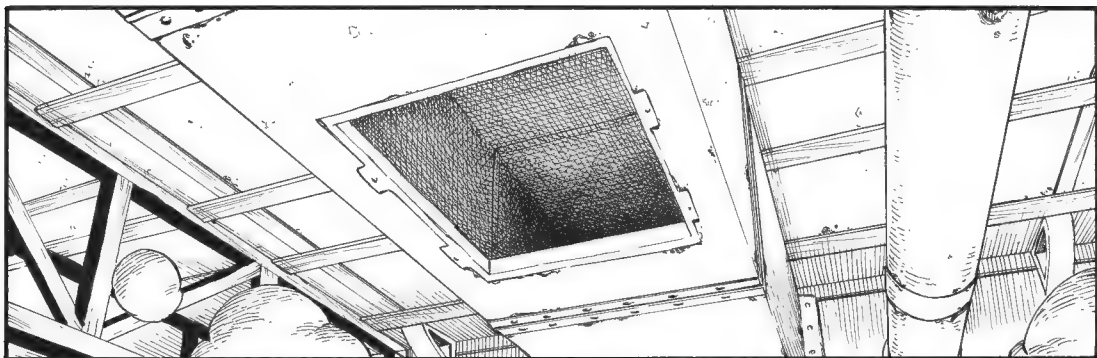


FAIRY TAIL

フェアリーテイル

Chapter 247: Just Look How Close







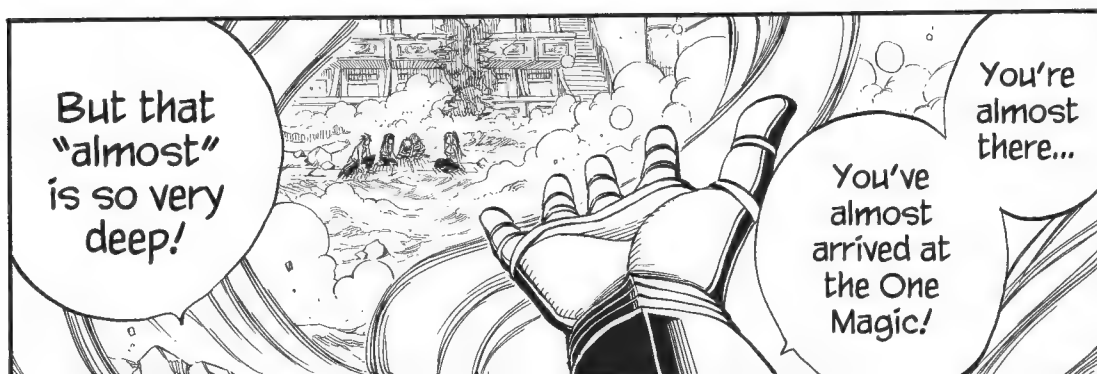






Glittering
in the
gloom...
The One
Magic.

And at the
bottom
of those
depths, you
find it...



But that
"almost"
is so very
deep!

You're
almost
there...

You've
almost
arrived at
the One
Magic!



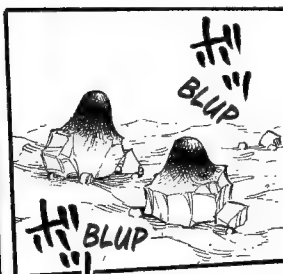
The
world of
Zeref!

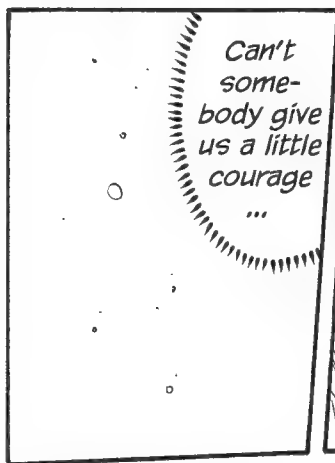
It is the Great
Magic World
that can dig
it out of the
depths!

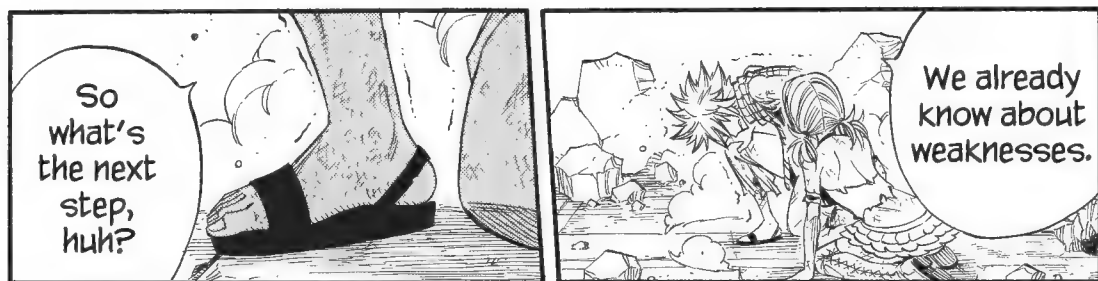
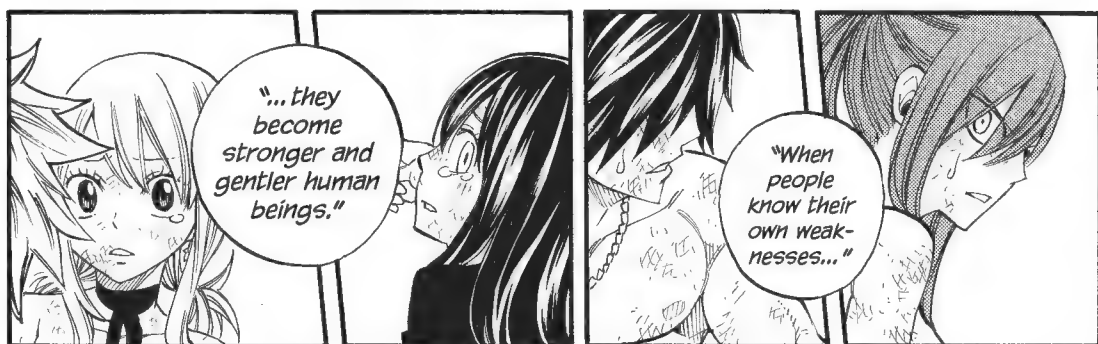


**And that is
when I
will finally
attain the
One Magic!**

**This
evening, at
the awakening
of Zeref, the
world will
change!**









I got
friends right
here in arm's
reach!!



But look,
our friends
are right
here!



I guess when
you're alone,
you can be so
scared you
can't do
anything...



'Cause
I ain't
alone
here
!!!!

That
means
I got
nothing
to be
afraid
of!!!!

グロウウウ

I respect
such
vainglory.

But the
end has
come.

Even if we
don't have
any magic
left...

That's
right,
Natsu!

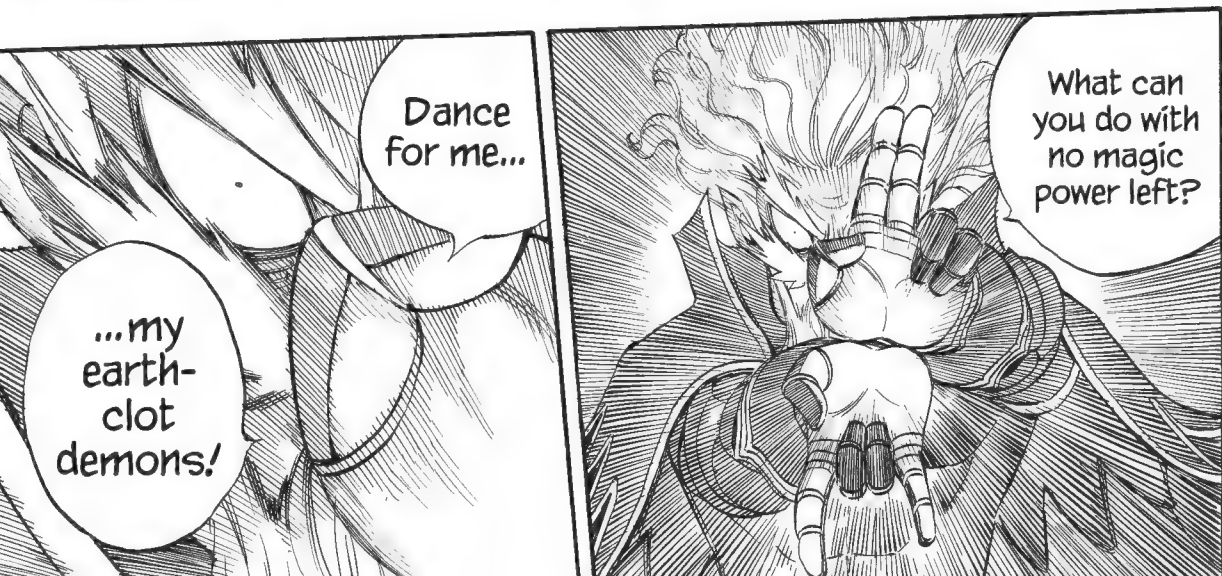
There's
nothing
to fear.

With my
friends
here...

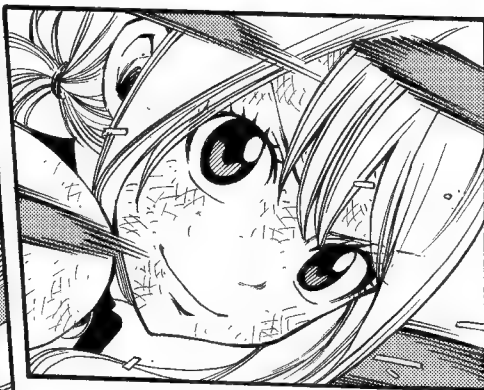
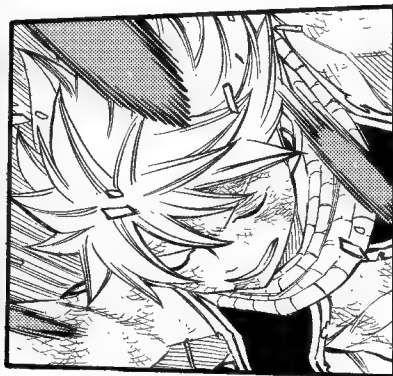
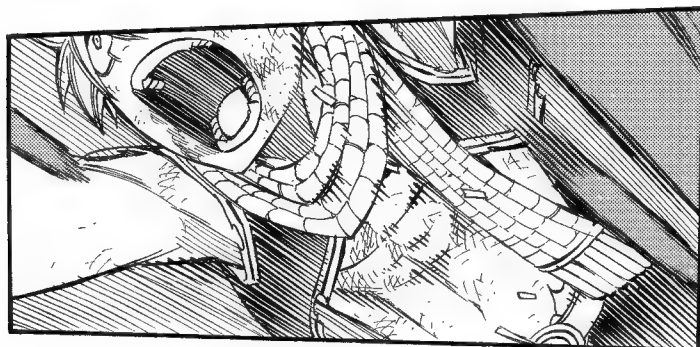
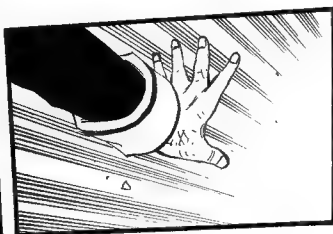
Let's
go
!!!!

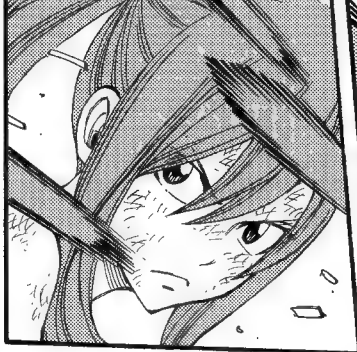
That is
Fairy
Tail!

We don't
give up!
Not until
it is truly
over!!!!













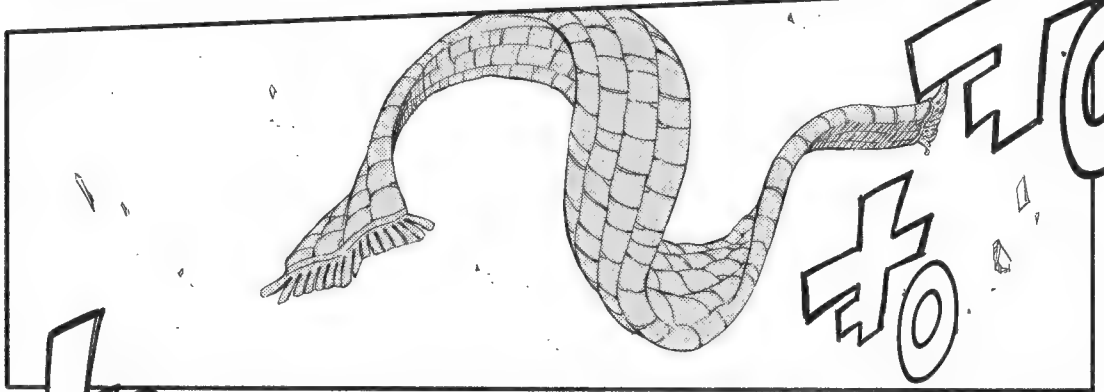
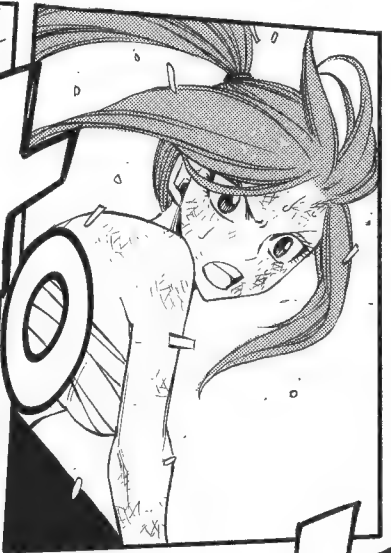
FAIRY TAIL

フェアリーテイル

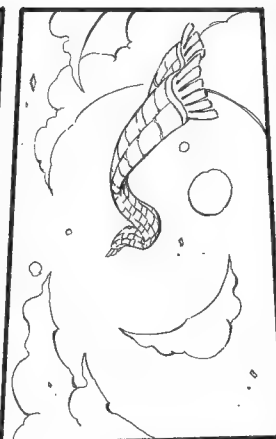
Chapter 248: Dawn on Sirius Island











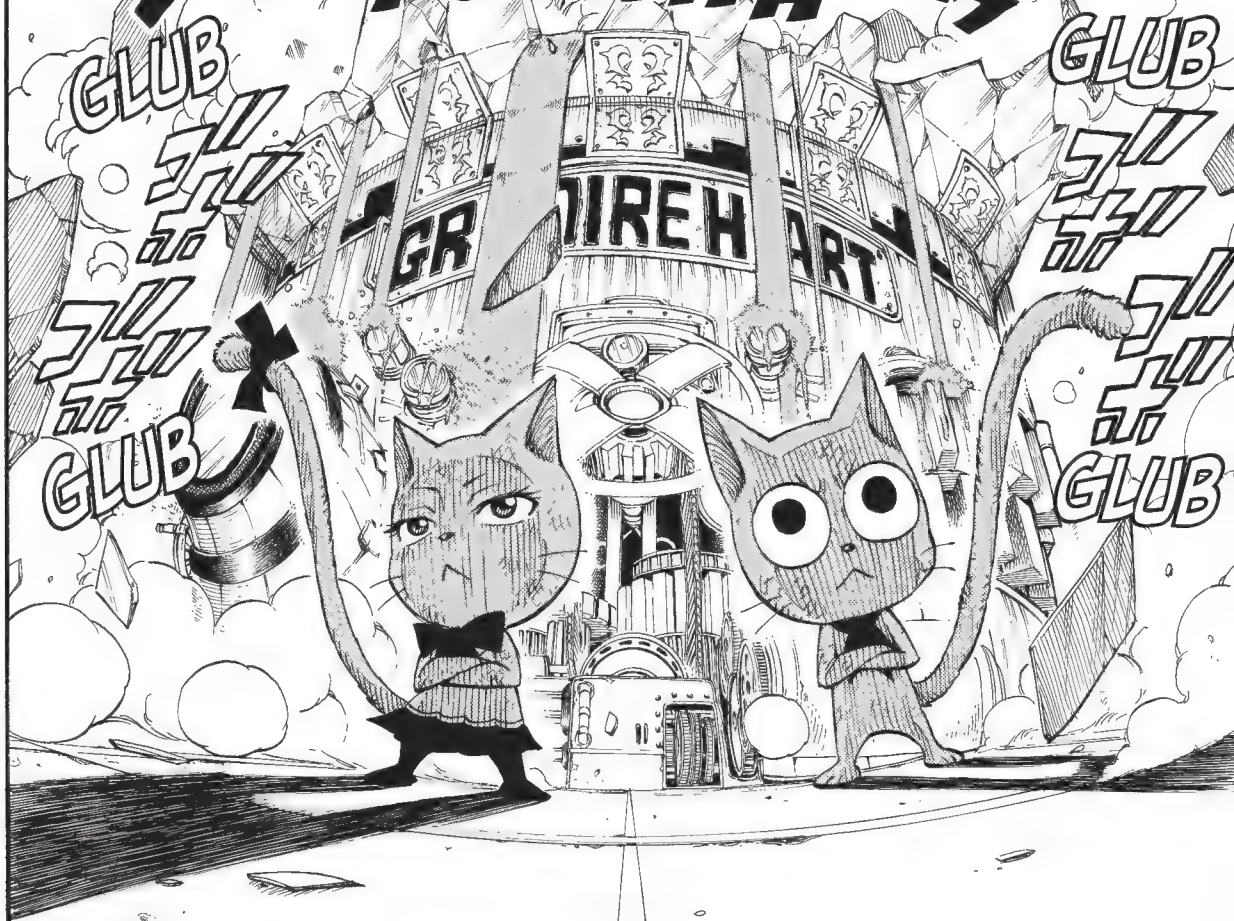
GONCH

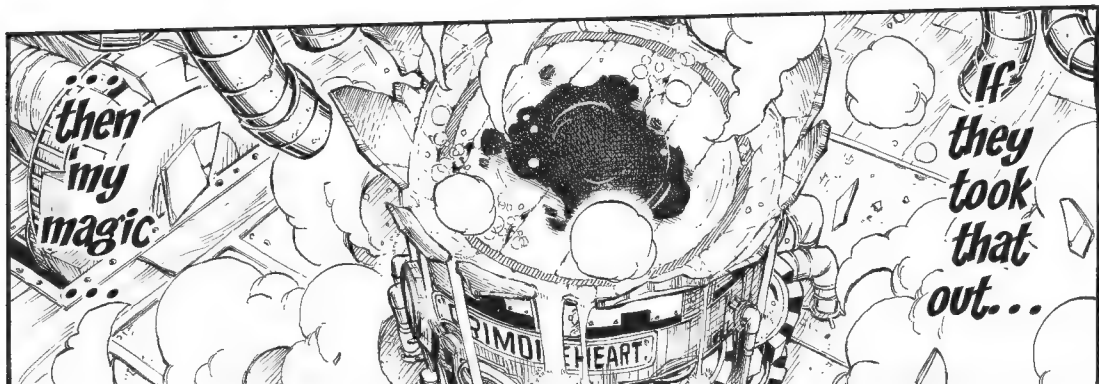
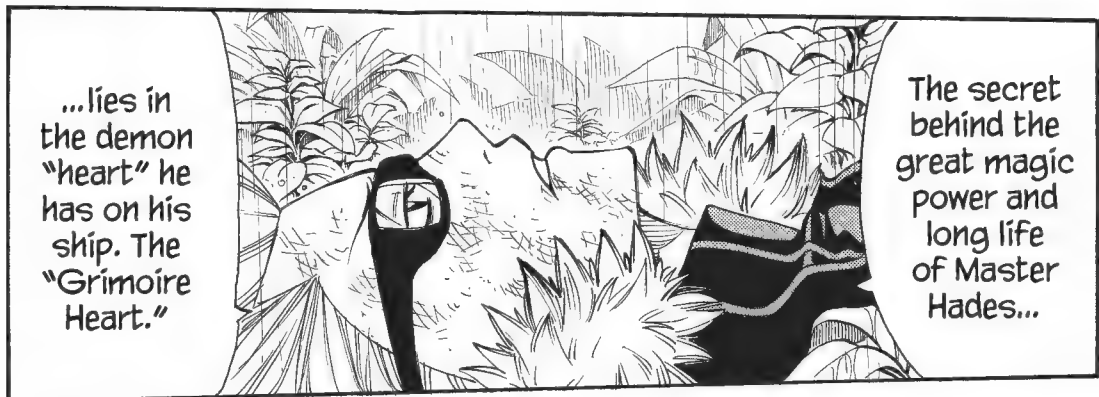
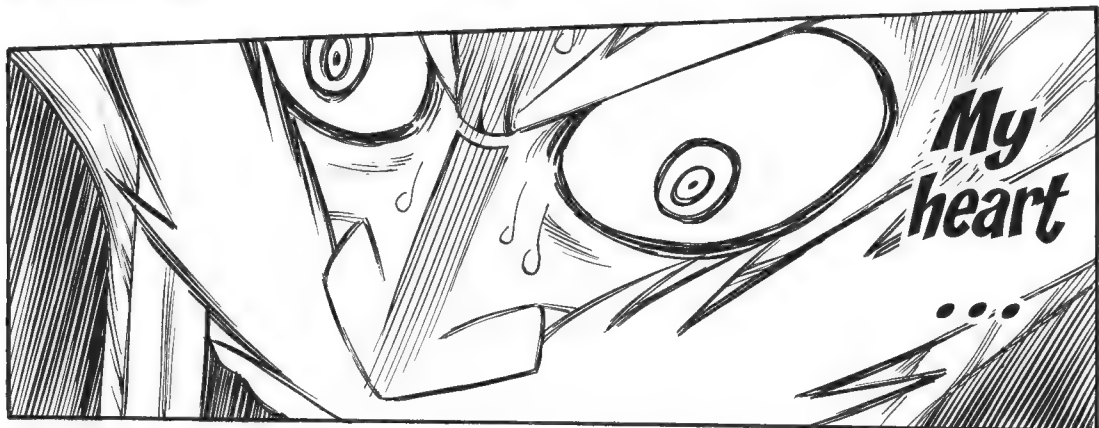
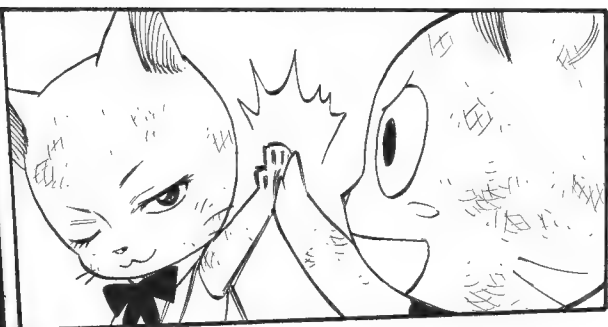
.....!!!!

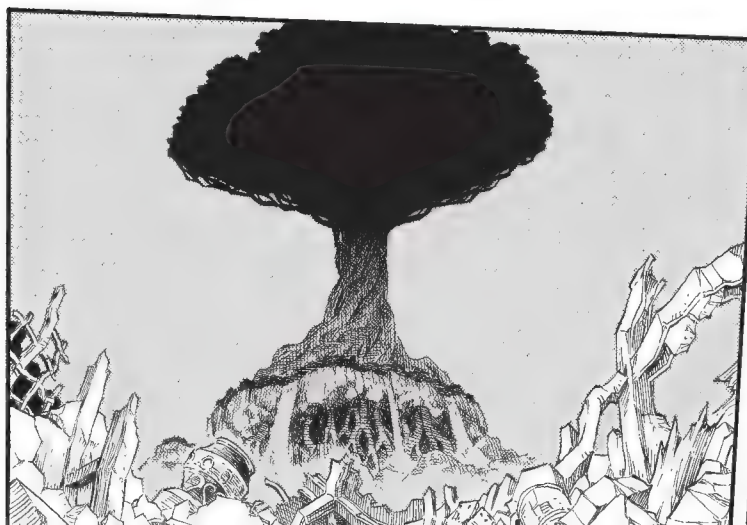
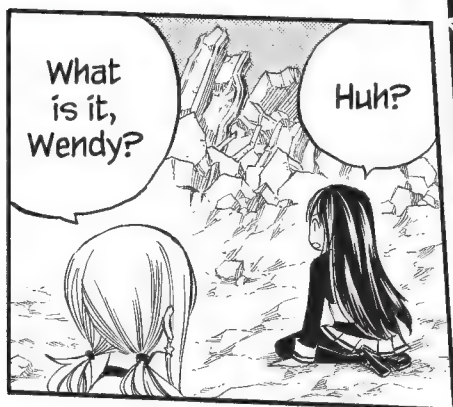
*Not
possible
....!!*



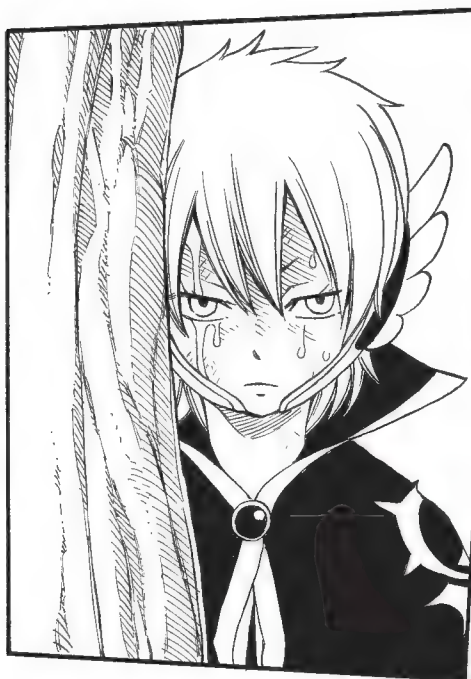
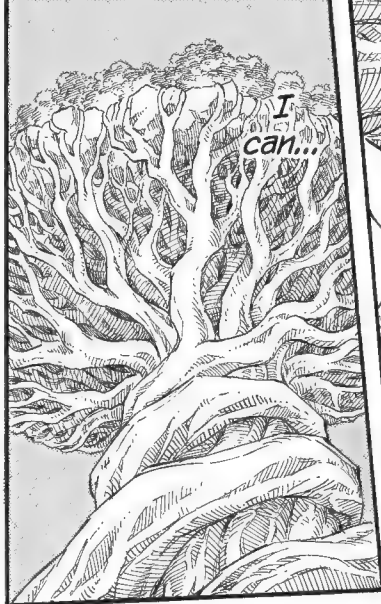
ニムン FSSHHH ム

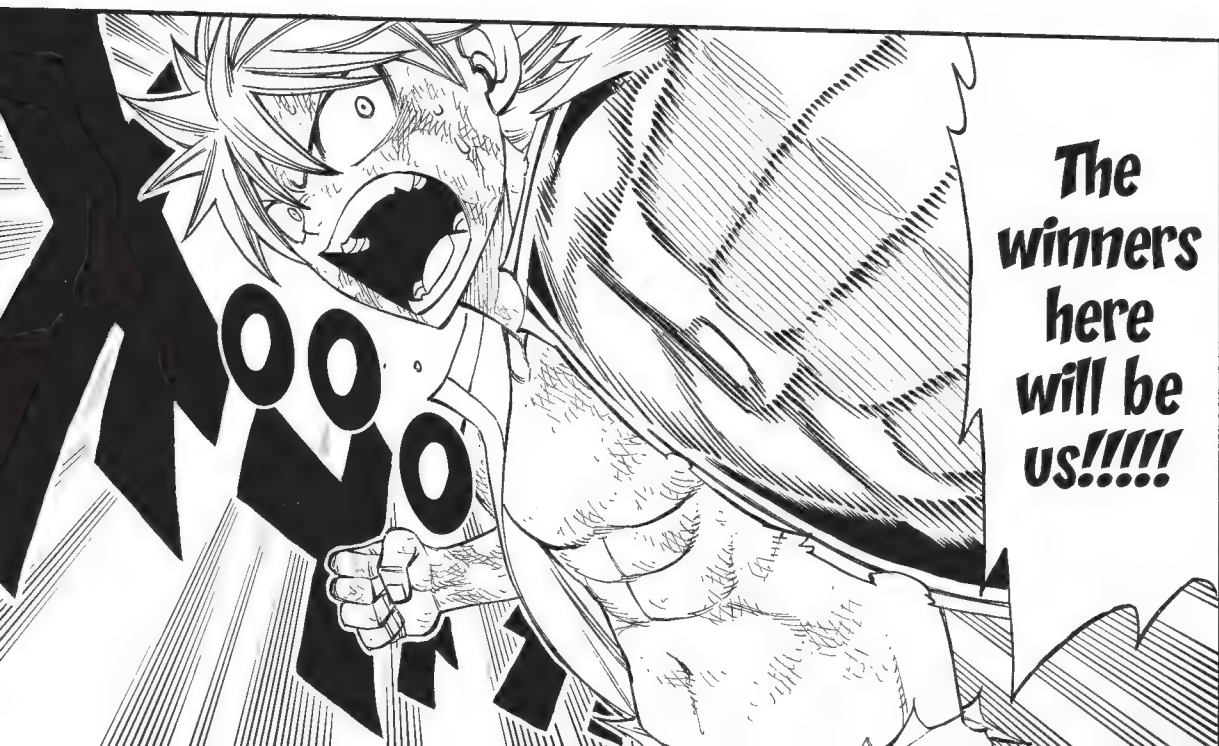
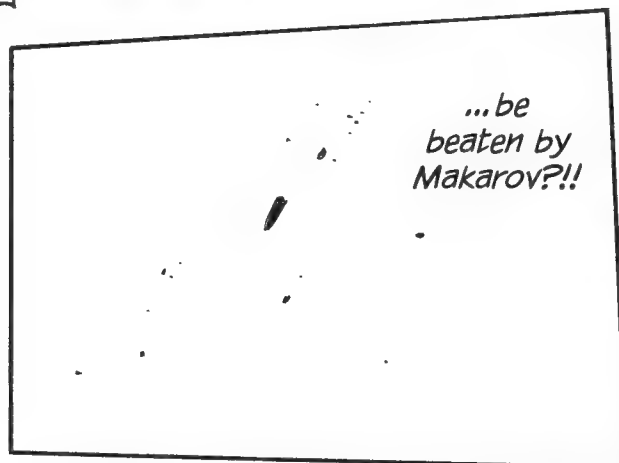


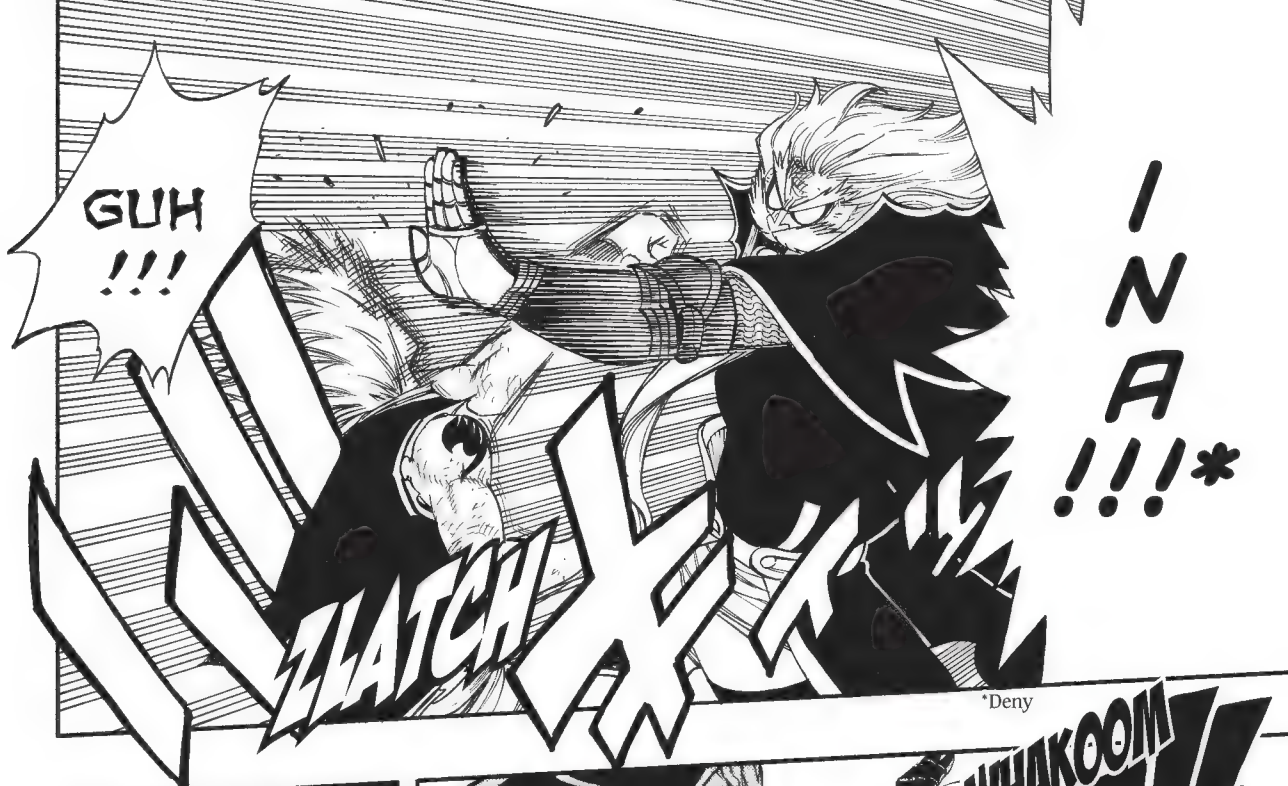
















NGUH
!!

I am
Lucy-sama's
Celestial
Spirit,
Capricorn
!!!!

Bah!
Zoldio is
in me no
longer!!!

But
open!!!
Gate
of the
Caprine
Palace
!!!!

CAPRI-
CORN
!!!!

I'll
follow that
example
!!

GAGH
!!

It's
you
...





FYOK
FYOK
FYOK

ZU

ICE
BRINGER
!!!!

BU-
HEH
!!

GA
CHING

PA

ZU



ZLASH

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TENRIN
PENTA-
GRAM
SWORD
!!!!!!

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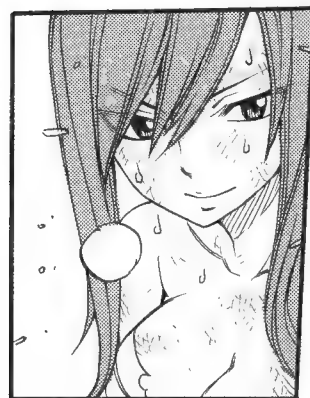
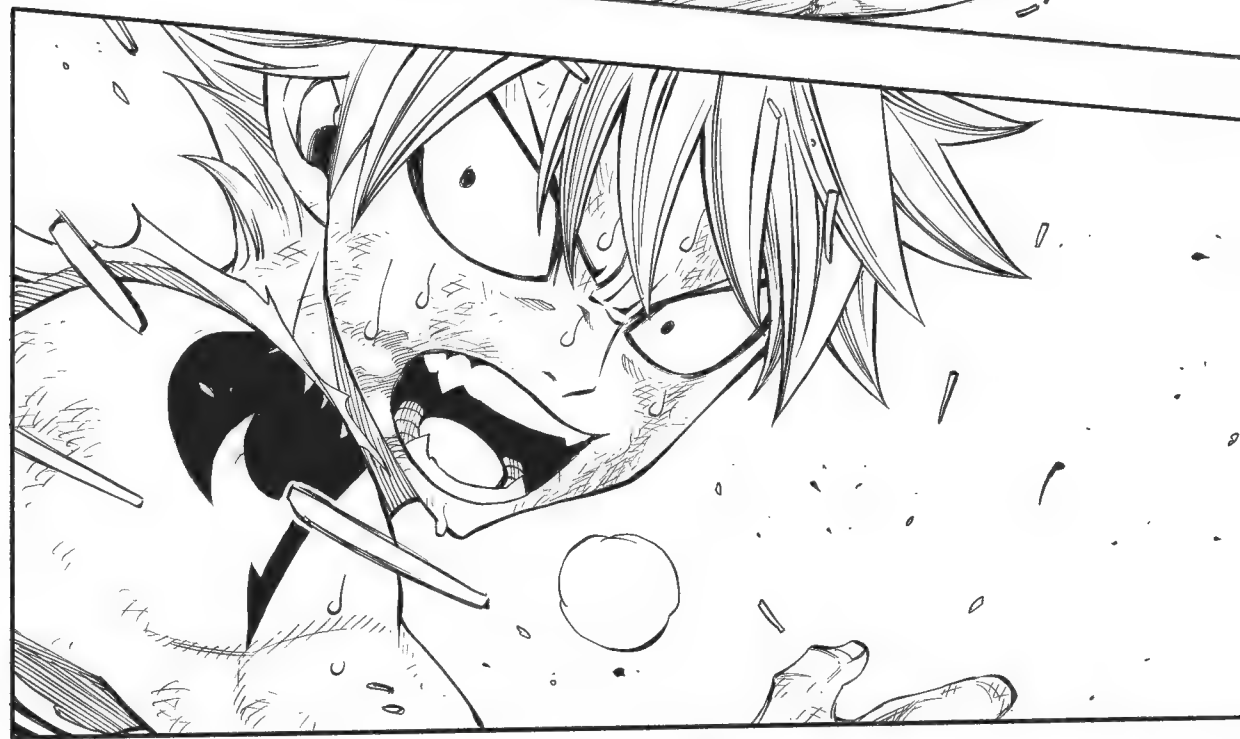
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**GUREN
BAKU-
RAI-
JIN*
!!!!!!**







This
is *our*
guild
!!!!

TO BE CONTINUED

Afterword

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There were so few bonus pages this time!
I'm sorry!! There was just nothing I could do about it.
Now, I'm sure some of you already noticed, but there was a different version of Chapter 248 (Dawn on Sirius Island) in Shonen Magazine than you saw here. In this volume, I gave everyone really eye-catching double-page spreads for their ultimate attacks. I cut out one page (of the Magazine version) and added in nine more pages. It was a lot of work!! A while back with Chapter 128 (Fantasia), I did the same thing and made a "director's cut" version of the chapter. And if timing and conditions work out in the future, I'd like to do it again. I really love these added-page versions!

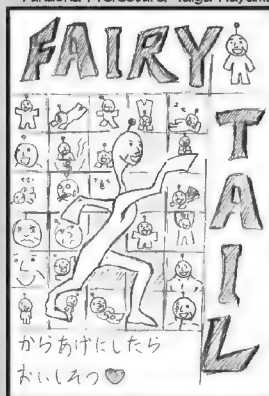
Speaking of add-ons, did you notice that the Edolas versions of Gajeel and Makarov were a part of the anime Fairy Tail? They were original episodes not in the manga, but they were a part of the "cut scenes" that I, through my tears, had to cut. But now they're reborn in the anime! I especially think the Edo-Gajeel came out to be a great character! Edo-Makarov was supposed to be there during the final plot twist. But the voice actor was the same, and I'll bet everyone noticed. If you don't understand what I'm talking about, check out the DVDs!!

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REJECTED
COLLECTION
1

FAIRY TAIL GUILD d'ART

Fukuoka Prefecture, Taiga Hayama



▲ You must not eat him. Your stomach would explode.

Okayama Prefecture,
I Love to Be Rejected-san



▲ Wh-What is this?!
Ichiya!! Meeeen!!

Saitama Prefecture, Aa-chan



▲ Rejection Corner
pictures of Kain have
already become routine?!

Recently
there have
been so
many entries
aiming at the
"Rejection
Corner" that
we had no
choice -
NO CHOICE -
but to do
a special
rejection
collection.

Ibaraki Prefecture, Fairy



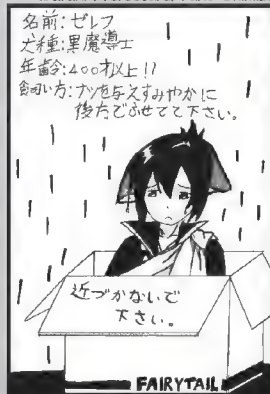
▲ Too strong? I-is that
right?

Hyogo Prefecture, Tenkō Usuda



▲ Really...? Well, too bad.
You're rejected.

Ibaraki Prefecture, Fuko Shimizu



▲ This one's scary! Make
sure you don't adopt him!

Hokkaido, Rinoa Yoshida



▲ N-No, I can't...! I'm
laughing!

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SPECIAL
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COLLECTION
2

FAIRY TAIL GUILD d'ART

No way!
I'm not
giving that
to any-
body!!



Fukuoka Prefecture, Takuma Kondo

Is that
right...? I
feel sorry
for you...



Kanagawa Prefecture, Natsuo

Okayama Prefecture, Hideo Norita



I never
thought
anybody
would try
that hard
to be
rejected...

Aichi Prefecture, Yukimi Umemura



Eh? ◀
Number-
one what?
I'm kind
of happy...
and kind of
scared...

Congrat-
ulations,
Blue
Note!



FAIRY TAIL (29)

I'm really
fond of
how
Azuma is
drawn a lot
smaller than
everyone
else!



Aichi Prefecture, Shunsuke Sugawara

Kanagawa Prefecture, Natsuo



You're
kidding! It's
the arrival
of the stray
dog!

Kyoto, Fuka Uemichi



Cats + ◀
Rajin Tribe!!
I never even
dreamed of
this...

FAIRY TAIL

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フェアリーテイル



FROM HIRO MASHIMA



Back row, left to right: Yoshikawa-sensei, me, Morikawa-sensei, Fukumoto-sensei, Seo-sensei, Nishimoto-sensei.
Front row, left to right: Yamamoto-sensei, Raiku-sensei.

As a part of a 24-hour TV event, I went to Fukushima for a signing. But I never thought for a second that I'd end up in this T-shirt! We couldn't sing or run around like the other entertainers, but we were determined to do our best to bring even just a smile to the survivors of the earthquake and tsunami with the power of manga. I went there with that in mind.

Translation Notes:

Japanese is a tricky language for most Westerners, and translation is often more art than science. For your edification and reading pleasure, here are notes on some of the places where we could have gone in a different direction with our translation of the work, or where a Japanese cultural reference is used.

Page 22, Rosenkrone

This attack name is made up of two German words, the word for "rose," and the word for "crown." The Japanese version of manga backs this up with *kanji* of the same meaning.



Page 114, Gungnir

Gungnir, in mythology, is the spear of the ruler of the Norse Gods, Odin. The spear appears in many songs and legends, as well as in Wagner's opera cycle, *The Ring of the Nibelung*.

Page 114, Exploding Thunder Sword

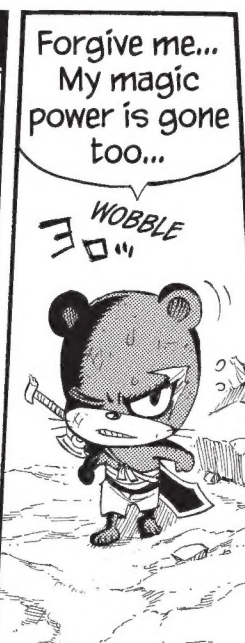
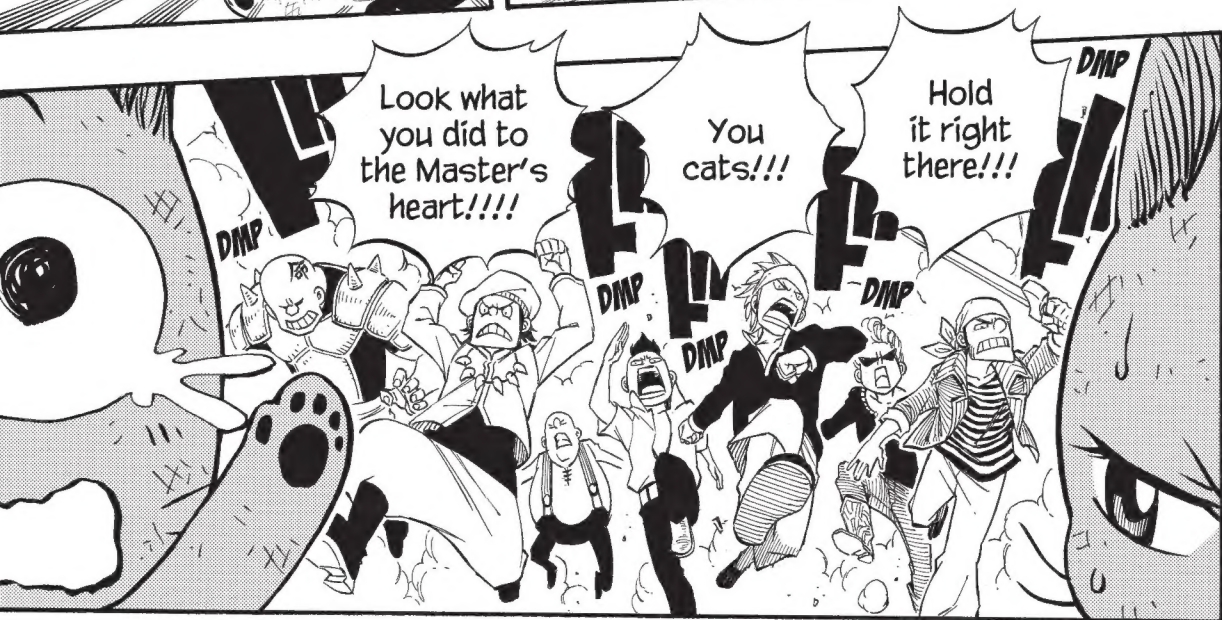
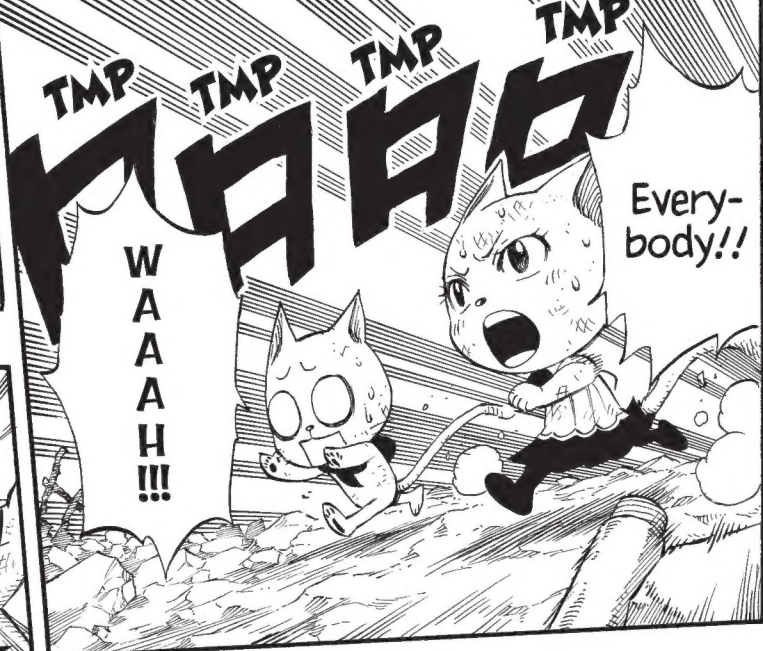
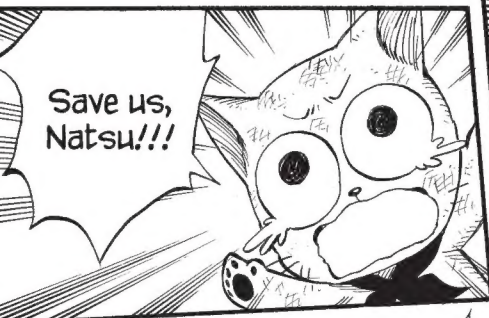
The previous "Guren" attack, "Guren Bakuenjin" (Blazing Backflash Sword) has an actual Japanese word, *bakuen*, in the attack name rather than just combination of *kanji* to make a new word. For this one too, *bakurai*, which literally means "exploding thunder," is also an actual Japanese word meaning "depth charge," the weapon that surface ships use against submarines.

**Stop right
there!**



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